

Neck or Nothing:

IN A

LETTER

TO THE

RIGHT HONOURABLE

THE

LORD —————

BEING A

SUPPLEMENT

To the *SHORT*

History of the Parliament.

ALSO

The NEW SCHEME (mention'd in the foresaid History) which the *English* and *Scotch Jacobites* have concerted for bringing in the Pretender, Popery and Slavery. With the *True Character* or *Secret History* of the PRESENT MINISTRY.

Written by his Grace JOHN Duke of ———

Auro pulsa fides, auro venalia jura—Prop.

London, Printed by T. Warner near Ludgate. 1713.

Neck or Nether

THE

TO THE

RIGHT HONORABLE

LORD

BEING A

SUPPLEMENT

TO THE REPORT

OF THE COMMISSIONERS

11 3 11

1850



the
ed
ich
te-
de,
ity
to
the
re-
the
for
off
ne
I
ave
ub-
ole
ord
ew)
im-
all
ign;
e
ma
Tay
vers
hen
the
at
nd
re
to-
nd
this
bee
not
Go
on
Mr.

(3)

Neck or Nothing:

I N A

LETTER

TO THE

RIGHT HONOURABLE

THE

LORD

My LORD,

I Am so heartily desirous of an Union amongst all that go under the Name of *Protestant*, against the common Enemy, the *Papists*, that I would never have singled out any of 'em under so black a Character as the Title to this *Supplement* gives 'em, if their Designs had not been so palpable, and to unite with them, were not to endeavour to alter the Constitution of the Government, and to give the Protestant Religion its fatal Blow: For, My LORD, does not Mr. W---, in his *Short History of the Parliament*,

say expressly, that the last Parliament, "For the
 "Character of *Loyal* and *Dutiful*, have sacrific'd
 "their Country to the Power of *France*, which
 "can end in nothing but bringing in the Pre-
 "tender, Popery and Slavery." 'Tis true,
 Mr. W--- tells us, "He has too much Charity
 "to believe that all who have been consenting to
 "these pernicious Measures, equally design'd the
 "Mischiefs that have come upon us." And there-
 fore I am far from laying this Charge upon all the
 Subscribers of our late *PEACEFUL ADDRESSES*, for
 as there are many of 'em such, as no good Subject
 would refuse to subscribe, (especially that of the
Upper House of Convocation, and that from *Glasgow*)
 if he did not think them unseasonable; so I have
 that Charity for many, that were induc'd to sub-
 scribe the most ungrateful, (and such I count those
 that asperse the Duke of *Marlborough*, the Lord
Townshend, and that Illustrious Patriot Mr. *Walpole*)
 that they did it rather in Complaisance to the Im-
 portunity of the Promoters, (by which I mean all
Jacobite Protestants) than to serve any bad Design:
 But I cannot so acquit your LORDSHIP, (who, if
 you have any Regard to your pious Education, must
 needs be a *Whig* in your Heart, tho' you are a *Tory*
 in Practice) or any of the rest of the Contrivers
 of a Peace with *France*, at the very Time when
 the Victorious *Marlborough* was almost got to the
 Gates of *Paris*, where even *Louis Le Grand* himself
 was just falling on his Knees for Quarter; and
 therefore, my LORD, I may venture to say, There
 is not one Subject in the Queen's Dominions (pro-
 vided he be one that loves the *English* Laws and
 the *Protestant* Religion more than the raising his
 private Fortune) but believes you to be what you
 are call'd by the COURT-SPY* "The greatest
 "Enemy to your Native Country on this side Hell
 "and"

“and the Gallows.” There are some (*very few I hope*) who deny your LORDSHIP this Character; and fewer yet who will be unwilling you should meet with your just Fate: But all Men will own, (except such as are wilfully blind) that the late separate and *Pernicious* Peace that your LORDSHIP and LEUD DRUNKEN HARRY have patch'd up (I can't say *made*) with *France*, has almost brought the Protestant Religion to its last Gasp. Whether the Addressers for this Peace, or whether the Presenters of *them*, were chosen by your LORDSHIP out of the Contrivers of it, or whether the Addressers and Presenters were but made the Cat's Feet, (that the Odium, and it may be, Punishment, may one Day rest upon 'em) I shan't pretend to determine: But if one may make an Estimate of the Promoters of this Peace, by the Frenchify'd Contrivers of it, none but a Madman will ever think the Peace can be Safe and Lasting, or, in plainer Words, that God will ever give a Blessing to that Peace, that is made by such corrupt Ministers of State, that have sacrific'd their Country to enrich themselves, and to *save their Necks*. My LORD, These are Great Truths; and as they ought to be understood by all the Subjects of *Great Britain*, I have ventur'd to speak 'em in plain *English*; for if your LORDSHIP has ventur'd your Neck to ruin your Country, (as I prove you have in the following Leaves) I humbly conceive I may with as good Reason venture my Neck to save it; and I don't question but all the Protestant Nobility and Gentry in the Queen's Dominions will stand by and support me, in thus venturing my Life and Fortune, in crying *Fire, Fire, Fire*, to a *Frenchify'd* Nation, that's fast asleep in the midst of Flames. But whether they do or no, *Vertue is its own Reward*; and as I give the Alarm, neither for Honour nor Profit, but purely to serve my Country, I don't fear, shou'd I die in the Attempt, but

I shall meet with a Glorious Reward in the other World, tho' I shou'd meet with nothing but Death or *Disgrace* in this; if suffering to defend Her Majesty's just Title to the *British* Crown, or the Rights of the Illustrious House of *Hanover*, can be call'd *Disgrace*, which is the greatest Honour a Loyal Peer is capable of receiving on this side Heaven; for (says a Learned and Great Divine) "If there is any Glory in Heaven greater than
 " other, if there be any Degrees in Happiness,
 " and if there be a Proportion of Rewards, as to
 " be sure there is, they who have the Honour to
 " seal the true Religion [and I shall add, their
 " Love and Service to their Country] with their
 " Blood, and Sacrifice all other Considerations to
 " it, shall have a distinguish'd Blessedness." Then what a dazling, weighty, and *Exceeding* Crown of Glory shall that truly Loyal and Ingenious Gentleman, Mr. *George Ridpath*, wear in Heaven, whose Great Piety, Steadiness of Principles and undaunted Courage in suffering for his firm Loyalty, (but more especially for his telling your LORDSHIP every Week * "That *Dunkirk* is not yet
 " demolish'd, nor the Pretender remov'd") has set him above all Fear of Death or the Pillory; which, if compar'd with the Glory and Recompence that attends suffering in a just Cause, makes even the Pillory it self a Preferment much superior to the being a L---d T--- or S--- of S---, when those who arrive to those great Posts; (like your LORDSHIP and B---) have ventur'd their Necks, (that is, have betray'd their Queen and ruin'd their Country) to obtain 'em. And therefore as *Christian Courage is a Force of Spirit consisting in two Principal Points, to undertake and suffer Great Things for the sake of Religion and Loyalty*; I resolve like the Anvil to resist all the Strokes of the Hammer, that is, to suffer

* In his Flying-Post.

suffer patiently whatever your LORDSHIP or your Brother B--- dare inflict upon me, for the Discharge of my Duty, in setting your Neck-Adventures (or secret T-----n) in a true Light. And if Poor Hurt has found the Pillory a greater Honour to him than he cou'd expect, (as the *Am---dress's Sp---ch* was a Reflection on the BBST of QUEENS) I shan't doubt obtaining even Her Majesty's Favour, as well as the Thanks of Her Loyal Subjects, for daring to venture my Neck in Defence of Her Just Title, and for detecting such Guilty Ministers of State as are plotting her Death, (or at least the wounding her Protestant Fame.) by attempting to bring in a Popish Pretender to sit on the Throne of Her Royal Ancestors. And tho' I publish this Supplement with as little regard to Reward from your LORDSHIP as Mr. W--- expected for the Dedication to his Short History, yet I assure my self that all Loyal Subjects to the Queen, and true Friends to the House of Hanover will ever thank me for those Discoveries I here publish to serve both; nor is the Age yet so degenerate that I need doubt it; for tho' Cowardice and Covetousness has been too much the Sin of the Whigs, and are those two sneaking and beggarly Vices by which they have almost ruin'd the best Cause in the World, yet 'tis never too late to reform; And therefore I cannot think that the Loyal Whigs will desert so just a Cause (for 'tis the Cause, and not the Suffering makes a Martyr) in which I am willing to lay down my Life to serve 'em, which will to me, be a much greater Reward, than the Venture I have here made of my Neck can merit. And I think I have good Reason to speak thus; for (my Lord) the SHORT HISTORY tells us plainly, that "The Measures taken by the late Ministry (a Ministry that made Her Majesty's Glory shine as bright, and as far, as the Sun) most visibly tended to nothing but confirming a noble Alliance

" and

“ance, form’d to reduce the Exorbitant Power of
 “France, to rescue Spain and the Indies, from the
 “House of Bourbon, to secure the Protestant
 “Succession to the Crown of Great Britain,
 “and to settle a true Ballance of Power in Europe.
 These great Ends (says our Short Historian) were
 the chief View of those that serv’d the Queen for
 the Eight first Years of her Reign; and with what
 Success they serv’d Her, the great Union amongst Her
 Majesty’s Subjects at home, and the many great and glo-
 rious Victories obtain’d by the Duke of Marlborough
 abroad, will shew to the World many Hundred Years
 after their despis’d Names are rotten, who have
 most infamously (as well as ungratefully) attempt-
 ed to blemish their Illustrious Characters. But
 tho’ this was the Bright and Glorious Character of the
 late Ministry, yet when your Lordship came (or
 rather (REVIV’D) into Favour by the bold and
 astonishing Conduct of Mrs. Abigail, then a NEW
 SCHEME was concerted (of which more anon)
 and now the contrary Measures being immediately
 enter’d upon, “The War must be ended, the Grand
 Alliance dissolv’d, and to perfect all (for your Lord-
 ship was resolv’d to venture NECK or NOTHING in
 the pursuit of Honour and Riches) Peace and a
 strict Friendship with France must be concluded.

Poor unfortunate G—— (for thy Master’s T——n in
 betraying his Queen and Country by a LUDORE-
 PEACE; puts me in mind of thy hanging Fate) thou
 may’st well say with Coleman, there is no Faith in
 Man, that thy self (a little T——r) art hang’d, whilst
 thy great Master, that has almost ruin’d a whole Nation,
 goes yet unpunish’d!

My Lord,—— What will the NEW PARLIA-
 MENT say to this! that little T——rs loose their
 NECKS, by that very Treason that Great Ones se-
 cure theirs, which is a Paradox easily prov’d; for
 is now apparent, that the undeserv’d Reflections
 that were cast upon the Duke of Marlborough, the

Lord

Lord Townshend, and Mr. Walpole, were given by the LOYAL PARLIAMENT, for no other End " but " to sully the Illustrious Characters of those that are out " of Power, and to screen the Iniquitys of those that " are in, even that Leud and Infamous Tool Dr. Sacheverel, (tho' he has curst the Hannover Family, and often drank the Pretender's Health by the Name of King) is a great Saint and Loyalist, in the Judgment of HIGH CHURCH, and one that has sav'd the Nation from Ruin. 'Tis true, the REVOLUTION PARLIAMENT fairly prov'd him a Traytor to his Queen and Country, and Silenc'd him for Three Years; and had it been for ever (for the Doctor too was at — Neck or Nothing — in the pursuit of a Bishoprick) it had been but a small Punishment for a Jacobite Priest, that in King William's Reign wish'd he might live to see him pull'd Limb from Limb, and has often pray'd for the Confusion of Her present Majesty; yet in your Lordship's DOVE HOUSE, where the Loyal and Dutiful PIGEONS call Black, White, and a french-ify'd Ministry is Screen'd from the Axe and Gibbet, this FALSE BROTHER, who had so often ventur'd his Tongue and NECK in the Cause of Perkin, can have PUBLICK THANKS, for a Libel that ought to have been burnt by the common Hangman: For, my Lord, the Sermon that Sacheverel preach'd before your Loyal and Obedient Commons, was little better than a Libel or spiteful Satyr on the Proceedings of the best and most glorious Parliament that England was ever blest with; but when Her Majesty shall say to these dry Bones, LIVE, they will be fittest to declare their Resentment of such prophane trampling upon their Ashes, by that Infamous Tool of a Party; (as Dr. Sacheverel was call'd at his Tryal.) Neither can your Lordship wonder that I call Dr. Sacheverel INFAMOUS, and the Head of the Jacobite-Faction, after that Bold Britain (or true Englishman) Mr. John Dunton has in his Monthly Journal,

nal, which he intitles the *Court-Spy*: * unanswerably prov'd these Three Things: 1st. That there is a Jacobite Plot now carrying on, both in England and Scotland, to bring in the Pretender, Popery and Slavery; and that Dr. Sacheverel has given great Encouragement to this Plot, by his often cursing the Hannover Succession, and drinking the Pretender's Health on his bare Knees, by the Name of King James the Third. 2^{dly}, That it would be a great Service to the Protestant Interest in Great Britain, (as Mr. Duntun proves in an humble Address to her Majesty) if Dr. Sacheverel were brought to a speedy and publick Tryal, to answer to that black Accusation of Jacobitism, and other notorious Crimes that are charg'd upon him by Mr. Bisset, Dr. Boyse, Mr. Eborall, and other credible Persons. 3^{dly}, That the secret History of the Life and Actions of Dr. Sacheverel (which is inserted in this *Court-Spy*) is a full Refutation of his late Sermon before the Honourable House of Commons, and prove him in the present Jacobite Plot to introduce the Pretender. My Lord, all these surprizing Discoveries concerning the present Design of the Sacheverel Faction to introduce Popery and Slavery, are fairly prov'd by Mr. John Duntun, and other Persons of great Integrity, in the Book intituled, *The Court-Spy*; or if any one yet doubt of the Truth of the Jacobite Plot that is now hatching in Paris, Dunkirk, Lorain, Scotland, Y---- E----, and the S---- Office at W----H--, let 'em read the Seasonable Warning of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, who tell the World, " That the Adversaries to their
 " present Constitution both in Church and State, do
 " openly in their Cities, and throughout the whole
 " Country of Scotland, promote the Interest of a Pre-
 " tender to the Crown, who has been educated in all the
 " Maxims of Popish Bigotry and French Tyranny;
 " and

* Or a Detection of such secret, odd, and uncommon Transactions in Church and State, as are wholly omitted by other News Writers; sold by J. Baker in Pater-noster-Row.

" and that their Zeal for the Pretender is such, that
 " they generally omit the Prayers in the Liturgy, for our
 " Sovereign Queen Anne, and the Illustrious Princess
 " Sophia, upon whom the Succession to the Crown is
 " settled.—My Lord, if Scotland be in such great
 Danger from the Pretender, as 'tis plain by this
Seasonable Warning, it is, I'm sure, 'tis high time that
 England shou'd be fully inform'd who 'tis that
 in " *The Three last Winter Campaigns in Parliament*
 have been also sacrificing their Country to the Pre-
 tender, Popery and Slavery, by contriving, or which
 is as bad, approving a PEACE, which (considering
 our Lives and Liberties lye now at the Mercy of
 the French King) will cost England ten times more
 than a War with France wou'd have done, had it
 lasted for *Twenty Years*; tho' had it continu'd but
 a Year longer, as our Army was then in
 the Career of Victory) in all Probability, by this
 time we had been *Sole Masters of France*, by which
 we had rescu'd what is now in such great Danger,
 the Protestant Succession in the illustrious House of Han-
 nover, which all true Protestants, (be they Whig
 or Tory) will own an invaluable Blessing, when they
 come to broil upon French Gridirons.

My Lord,—what I here say of your Conduct and
 Generalship, as Mr. W--- calls it, with respect to
 the Pernicious Treaty of Peace, and your late disbanded
 Troops, is not spoke out of Malice to any Man's
 Person; for I think, according to my Poor Capacity,
 the heaviest Punishment that can be inflicted upon
 State Offenders, is, that they may out-live their
 Honour, and Estates, the first of which your
 Lordship has done already; and as to the last,
 (except the Pretender comes before you can purchase
 another Dutiful and Loyal Parliament) when you
 have disgorg'd all the Luidores, or secret Con-
 viction that the Peace cost, your Pockets won't be
 less empty than your Brains were, at the time when
 you advis'd to a PEACE that is very likely to

touch your Neck; I say likely, for 'tis now plain to every Loyal Subject, that your Lordship in creeping to a starving and vanquish'd Enemy, (perhaps as much to save your Neck as to fill your Purse) have ventur'd Neck or Nothing. But, my Lord, whatever your private Venture has been to enrich your Family, at the Expence of your Countrys Ruin, yet 'tis certain that neither the Peaceful Bishop, that was pick'd out to preach the Thanksgiving Sermon, nor your Hir'd Troops, tho' " So ready " to go upon any Attack, cou'd have perform'd so many " remarkable Services, either in the Parliament House or " St. Pauls, had they not (as Mr. W— observes) " firmly adher'd to your Lordship, and their Monosyllables. But, my Lord, shou'd your Intreaguening Peace prove good and lasting, (as no Man in his Senses can think it will) yet 'tis very strange to all thinking Men, that a Bishop that was to Harangue on the Excellencies of a Glorious Peace, shou'd at such an unseasonable time describe the Miseries of a Civil War, if he did not suspect it from your Lordship's Traitorous Conduct towards the Queen and the whole Nation, by your contriving a Peace with France, that must be better patch'd up against next Session of Parliament, or, even your Loyal and Dutiful Commons, will not think you above their Impeachment, tho' you shou'd climb from Title to Title till you climb so high as to break your Neck in that great and unpittied Fall, which (if the Nation is blest with a good Parliament) cannot be far off: For, my Lord, all your POLITICKS, since your Pride and Ambition has displac'd the late Ministry, has spoke no other Language but this — Neck or Nothing— i. e. a Duke you are or resolve to be; but pray, my Lord, take this humbling Consideration along with your High Titles:

What

What signifies an empty Word

His Grace, his Highness, or, my Lord?

Saving your Presence, not a T—

'Tis Vertue Stamps the Character,

And adds a Lustre to his Star.

My Lord, 'tis a plain Case whatever your venture has been in climbing the Two Pinacles of Honour and Riches, yet as you han't ascended one step in Vertue, or to secure the Hannover Succession since your Advancement, your Rise has been the higher only to make your Fall the greater. Worldly Honour is like a Circle in the Water, which never ceaseth to enlarge it self, till by broad spreading it disperse to nought. We might have some Opinion that those great Titles of *Earl or Duke*, had much Eminency above all that is here below, were it not that they daily fall into *Fantasms and Shadows of nothing*; and therefore, my Lord, as you have ventur'd your Neck for Honour and Riches, (which I have here prov'd is nought, a *Fantasm*, or *Shadow of Nothing*, and when attain'd by selling of British Liberties for Luidores, is worse than *Nothing*.) 'Tis but just that your self and your Brother T— shou'd have your Necks gall'd with that French (or Jacobite.) Noose that you have been Secretly weaving for the whole Kingdom. And therefore, my Lord, 'tis believ'd, that to save both your self and a Guilty Ministry from Hamon's Fate, that the B— of B— and W— had Secret Instructions from your Lordship, to threaten the Whigs with a Civil War, if they wou'd not grow tame enough to take the loss of the Hannover Succession in good part. [There's the Secret discover'd of Dunkirk's not being yet demolish'd, nor the Pretender remov'd;] for why else does the Military Bishop at the same time when he is applaud-

ing

ing your *Glorious Peace*, (most impertinently, as well as unseasonably), talk of the *Calamities of a Civil War*, if it wern't to secure your Lordship's Neck, and the *Pretensions of some Body* as far as *Lorain*. I think, my Lord, the Truth of this Discovery is fairly prov'd by our *Thanks-giving Bishop's* not once naming the *House of Hannover* throughout his whole Sermon, tho' 'twas so necessary to be done on a Day when he was enumerating the Blessings of Peace. No, alas! the Politick Bishop, instead of giving us fresh Assurance, that the next Parliament will confirm the *Protestant Succession in the House of Hannover*, he tells his Hearers a Secret, I suppose, he had from your Lordship, "That if
 " we are again to have any Civil War in England, 'tis
 " like to be attended and assisted with Foreign Arms, an
 " Assistance call'd naturally in by both Sides, and as
 " readily lent. LENT! By whom? Why, doubtless, the Bishop means by the *French King*; which sufficiently shews that our *Glorious Peace* has not only sacrific'd the *Laws*, but the *Religion of England*, to the Power of *France*: And as a Proof of this, Han't the *French King* receiv'd such *New Life* from the *Wise Conduct* of our New Ministry, that he has taken *Landau*, threatn'd *Fribourgh*, and insulted the whole Empire. "The Duke of MARLBOROUGH,
 " (as the *Short Historian* observes) had beaten *France*
 " too often ever to be forgiven, it was necessary
 " he shou'd be disgrac'd, or the Scheme cou'd not
 " go on; he was too considerable to be drop'd
 " quietly, but because his Publick Services to his
 " Country could not be call'd in question, the
 " known and usual, *Perquisites* of the General
 " are voted Publick Money, and are to be accounted
 " for. But how much this disgracing the Duke of Marlborough has contributed to the ruin of England and the Protestant Interest, is sufficiently seen by all the *Freeholders of Great Britain*, and is lately acknowledg'd by *Forty Lords*, and by *Sixty*
 New

New Members of Parliament, of which the truly Ingenious *John Ladd, Esq;* is one, who having their Eyes open'd by the *Treaty of Commerce*, and the Discoveries they make at *Dunkirk*, can no longer approve of your *Lordship's Measures*; but resolve now, if it be not too late, to save themselves and their Native Country from utter Ruin. But our chief Dependance is upon Men of *Constant and Revolution Principles*; and, God be prais'd, we have still some amongst us, many *Godolphin's, Montague's, Sunderland's, Cowper's, Devonshire's, Wharton's, Sommers's, Hallifax's, Parker's, Ashurst's, Heathcot's, Abney's, Ward's, Onslow's, Denton's, Hampden's, Stanhope's, Letchmere's, Prats's, Churchill's, Walpole's, Burnet's, and Fleetwood's*, who in their *PREFACES and Loyal Speeches* do assert the just Prerogative of Reason, and maintain its ample subserviency to Religion, both to make void the Necessity of an *INFALLIBLE CHAIR*, and to curb the Extravagancies of all *Atheists, Jacobites, and Free-Thinkers*; my Lord, such Glorious and Immortal Patriots as these, may safely be depended on; their bare Looks, I had almost said their bare Thoughts, (were it possible to know them) are better Security than the most solemn Protestations of *State Weather-cocks*; for as they have always been the very same Men under all Events and Changes of Government, so they have always preferr'd the *Protestant Religion, Loyalty to the Crown, and English Liberties, to High-Titles, Diamonds**, and *Luidores*, and all other Considerations whatsoever. But, my Lord, tho' we may safely depend on such *English Patriots* that won't change their Religion or Politicks, for Honour or worldly Interest; yet, I must confess, I have no extraordinary Opinion of *Convert-Lords*, or any other of that

* No true Protestant can ever forget that Rich Diamond that my Lord B--- had presented to him by the French King.

that sort; and therefore I wou'd have all *Honest Whigs* deal with *Converts in Politicks*, as we do with those in *Religion*, that is, trust not their Professions, but wait the End of their Life before they pass a *Definitive Sentence*, lest a too easy Faith expose them to the Dangers that usually attend a Delusion of that kind. And, my Lord, if I am too uncharitable here, I hope, my *Incredulity* may be excus'd, as I owe it to my long *Observation of Mankind*, *Experience of the World*, and the *Intimate Acquaintance* I have had with some *Preaching and State Weather-cocks*. But, as 'tis reported, that there is come over to the Whigs, at least, Forty *Convert Lords*, and Sixty Tory Members of Parliament, they ought to be receiv'd with great Respect; for as the *not Demolishing Dunkirk*, nor *Removing the Pretender*, has open'd Gentlemens Eyes, 'tis not *Impossible* but they may be sincere; and if they are so, we must say, by the miraculous Providence of God,—*Good is come out of Evil*;—for those very Men, that 'twas once fear'd wou'd deliver us up as a Prey to *France*, by seeing YOUR LORDSHIP and LEUD HARRY, so boldly venturing your Two Necks to introduce the Pretender, seem now so heartily concern'd at their treading so long in your *Jacobite Steps*, that they are like to be the *Chief Instruments* in snatching us out of the Jaws of that Popish Tyrant the *French King*, where your Lordship and daring B— has ventur'd to thrust us; for what won't Two Ministers of State venture, that will venture their Necks to gratifie their Ambition, and to enrich themselves, tho' it be at the Expence of their Country's Ruin: So that if *England* shou'd ever recover the *Bright Figure* it made during the *Late Ministry*, it wou'd be strange indeed! For so much has your Lordship's GLORIOUS PEACE retriev'd the Affairs of the *French King*, that his *Masquerading Ambassador* has had the Impudence to tell the Queen at his *Publick Audience*: " That
" the

" the Peace had put into her Majesty's, and his Master's
 " Hands, the Ballance of all the Powers of Europe.
 'Tis strange, my Lord, that the French King, that
 t'other Day durst not look an English Army in the
 Face, when headed by the Ever Victorious Marlbo-
 rough, and wou'd gladly have accepted of Peace
 upon any Terms, had the War continu'd a Year
 longer, shou'd in a few Months dare to tell the
 greatest Queen in the World, that he was her Equal
 in Power and Fame. Nay, which was yet more
 Audacious, that " He was Sharer with her in the
 Balance she (alone) holds of all the Powers of Europe.
 Or, my Lord, if the French Tyrant does share
 with our Rightful and Glorious Queen, in holding the
 Balance to all the Powers of Europe; To whom
 does he owe this Balance? Is it to the old Ministry,
 or the New? My Lord, this Question is soon re-
 solv'd; for 'tis now universally thought that the
 making the French King more formidable than
 ever he was, is wholly owing to your Lordship's
 notable Conduct in making the Peace, and to that
 Diamond-Trip into France to forward the Peace,
 and to concert Measures with the Pretender, that
 was made by the Lord B---, which Jacobite Pro-
 ject for Excluding the House of Hannover, was to
 have been finish'd by that known and great Friend to
 the Pretender the late Duke of H---, had not God
 in Judgment to him, and in great Mercy to this
 Nation, taken him off by a Violent Death. But to
 do the Duke of S---y Justice, tho' he was sent
 A--- E--- to F---, he was above the Tempta-
 tion of Luidores, and had too great a share in the
 Glorious Revolution by King William, ever to have a
 Hand in bringing in a Sham Prince, that has no other
 Pretence to the Crown, but by calling our Glorious
 Deliverer from Popery and Slavery a meer USURPER;
 but whoever it was that first contriv'd that France
 shou'd share the Balance of Power with England,
 'tis certain the French Tyrant makes such great
 C haste

haste to over-run *Germany*, if the New Parliament don't put a stop to his Victorious Progress *Lewis Le Grand*, by means of that Glorious Peace your Lordship has made with him, is like to be sole Master of *Europe*, And then where is the Balance of Power? or, Who will be Monarch of *Great Britain*? Our rightful and glorious Queen; or that Spurious Brat--that the *Jacobites* call *James the Third*---that Rehearsing *Lesley* is now actually Tutoring at *Bar-le-Duc*, how he should act the Bigotted Papist in *England* under a Protestant Mask.--That Dr. *Sacheverel* (who drinks his Health on his bare Knees by the Name of King) is gone to present with a Catalogue of *False Brethren*, (of which Bishop *Burnet*, Bishop *Fleetwood*, Dr. *Williams*, Dr. *Calamy*, Mr. *Hoadley*, Mr. *Bisset*, Mr. *Henry*, Mr. *Bradbury*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Ridpath*, and Mr. *Dunton*, are Twelve) that must turn Papists, or prepare for Martyrdom.--That the Peaceful Addressers have been long inviting to *England* with their inconsistent Doctrine of *Indefeasible Hereditary Right*--From whence, my Lord, it is most apparent that the first Projectors of our celebrated Peace, had only an Eye to the *Luidores*, the *Pretender's Interest*, and the saving their own Necks. But whatever Hopes the *Pretender* may have of being invited to *England* by the *Jacobite Faction*, 'tis certain our New M---y (by which I only mean your Lordship, LEUD HARRY, and that She-politician Mrs. *Abigail*) are so confounded in all their Measures that they know not how to go either backward or forward with Safety: Forward they cannot go; for tho' your Lordship perswaded a few *Jacobite Quakers* to thank the Queen for the Peace that you had first hatch'd in *France*, and afterwards confess'd at *Utrecht*; yet the Lords in their PROTESTATION say expressly, " That there is so very
 " little, and inconsiderable a difference between
 " the former Offers of *France*, and those made at
 " *Utrecht*,

" U
 " F
 " M
 " a
 " i
 " l
 for
 Dec
 dan
 tha
 fig
 wh
 Fri
 Pre
 in t
 the
 to n
 my
 cou
 Tre
 from
 cou
 Tre
 Pre
 han
 neit
 priv
 Mir
 a P
 anco
 bro
 the
 safe
 Neck
 Rev
 inti
 wh
 " a

*

" *Utrecht*, and sign'd *Huxelles*, that both of 'em
 " seem to be the Effect of a *Secret and Particular*
 " *Negotiation with France*, which we can never
 " approve of, nor can we think (say these *protest-*
 " *ing Lords*) separate Terms to be either Honoura-
 " ble or safe for the *English* Nation. And 'twas
 for this Reason that the New M---y cou'd not
 Decoy one *Low-Church-man*, *Presbyterian*, *Indepen-*
dant, *Anabaptist*, or *Protestant Quaker*, to return
 thanks for a Peace, which they all saw was de-
 sign'd by the New M---y, (but not by the Queen,
 who is a most sincere Protestant, and a perfect
 Friend to the Princess *Sophia*) to introduce the
Pretender, and to exclude the Protestant Succession
 in the House of *Hannover*, which all the *Whigs* in
 the Queen's Dominions have unanimously resolv'd
 to maintain with their Lives and Fortunes; so that,
 my Lord, as neither your self nor Brother T---r
 cou'd go forward with your Separate and
 Treacherous Peace, but with great Opposition
 from the *Whigg-Party*, so, to do you Justice, you
 cou'd not go backward without having your Secret
 Treaty detected by the *French Court*; so that our
 Present, Wise, and Loyal Ministry is now so
 hamper'd in their *Jacobite* Peace, that they can
 neither secure their own *Necks* from the *Axe*, by a
 private Retreat, nor (without Heaven works a
 Miracle for our Deliverance) prevent the Ruin of
 a Protestant Kingdom by their publick Repent-
 ance; And sure I am, when Ministers of State have
 brought Things to such a Dismal Extremity, that
 they can neither go backward nor forward with
 safety, their Case then in a literal Sense must be,
Neck or Nothing; which we find confirm'd by the
 Reverend and most Ingenious Author of a late Book
 intituled, *A Word to the Wise, or a Hint on the Times**,
 who says expressly, " When Rulers or Governors
 " are under a Divine Infatuation, or are given
 C 2 " up

* Sold by J. Baker in Pater-noster-Row.

“ up to Blindness of Mind, (that is, can neither
 “ go forward in their Duty, nor backward with
 “ Innocence) it is a sad Omen. Thus *Rehoboam*
 “ by a Divine Infatuation treats his People roughly
 “ to the Loss almost of his whole Kingdom. In-
 “ deed his first Steps were very regular; for *Re-*
 “ *hoboam*, upon his Accession to the Throne con-
 “ sults a *Grave and Wise Ministry*, who stood before
 “ *Solomon* his Father, 1 Kings xii. 6. These (who
 “ well understood the Times from their Great
 “ Advantages, and long Experience under the
 “ wisest of Princes) gave him wholesome Advice,
 “ the which had he observ’d he had been as
 “ happy a Prince as was in the World; but *Reho-*
 “ *boam*, as one struck with Blindness, *Changes his*
 “ *Ministry* to consult Men of Towering Principles,
 “ whose Advice prov’d Fatal to the Kingdom; for
 “ Ten Tribes revolted from his Government at
 “ once, and now *Rehoboam* has time to repent his
 “ *New Ministry*, but to little purpose; for the
 “ Breach was too wide to be made up, and that
 “ from the over-ruling Hand of God; for when
 “ *Rehoboam* goes about to *Reduce* the Ten Tribes
 “ by force of Arms, thus saith the Lord, *Return*
 “ *every Man to his House for this Thing is from me,*
 “ 1 Kings xii. 24. It was from the Lord that *Reho-*
 “ *boam* shou’d refuse the Advice of a *Wise and*
 “ *Steady Ministry*. It was from the Lord, that
 “ he shou’d hearken to the pernicious Council of a
 “ *Giddy Ministry*. And it was from the Lord,
 “ that he shou’d deal so roughly with his People,
 “ that he might not only lose their Affections, but
 “ their Obedience too. Consonant to this was
 “ the Reign of the late, but unhappy Prince
 “ *James II.* And indeed who but a Man *infatuated*
 “ wou’d, as he did proceed with that Precipitancy
 “ in his Designs meerly repugnant to the *Rules of*
 “ *Politicks*? For no sooner did he come to the
 “ Throne but *Mass Houses* are set up, and in all haste
 “ *Protestants must be converted to his Faith*; FATHER
 “ PETERS

" PETERS made Privy-Coucellor ; CROWDS OF
 " IRISH PAPISTS CALL'D IN UPON US ; Prote-
 " stants put from all Imployments, both Civil
 " and Military. *A standing Army* is headed with
 " Popish Officers ; *Priests and Jesuits* appear pub-
 " lickly in their Religious Habits, under promise
 " of Protection ; the Bishops sent to the Tower,
 " and the Birth of the PRETENDER, (who now
 " with his *English and Scotch Jacobite* Plot, to de-
 " throne our *Rightful and ever Glorious Queen*) was
 " most neatly contriv'd. These Things manifested
 " a Celestial Blindness and Madness, even to the
 " loss of his Three Kingdoms, maugre all his
 " LIVES AND FORTUNE MEN ; [For where was
 " *Passive Obedience* then ;] the which agrees well
 " with that Observation of the Heathens, [*Quem*
 " *perdere vult Jupiter prius dementat,*] whom God
 " intends to destroy he first infatuates.

Thus far the Ingenious and Loyal Author of that
 late Book intituled, *A Word to the Wise, or a Hint*
on the Times. How far your Lordship and LEUD
 HARRY have been under the same *Divine Infatua-*
tion as the *Pernicious and Giddy Ministers* of
Rehoboam were, I shan't pretend to determine
 (tho' the plain Contradictions to all Common
 Sense, and the *Recantations** relating to the *Treaty*
of Commerce, that you brib'd your Loyal Com-
 mons to make in their Address to Her Majesty is
 such a Mockery as is a little New in Parliament.)
 However, my Lord, this is certain that O... and
 B... have gone forward and backward in the same
 T... n, that is, have been hamper'd with their
 own *Pernicious Peace* ; and if your Lordship, or
 any other of the *Jacobite* Faction deny this, I shall
 prove it beyond all Contradiction, when I come to
 detect that New Scheme mention'd in the *Short*
History, which the *English and Scotch Jacobites* have
 con-

* As The Short History calls 'em,

† Address, June 23, 1713.

concerted to bring in the Pretender, Popery and Slavery. And this *Black Charge* is now so generally believ'd throughout the whole Nation, (especially by the Men of Quality) that this very Morning my Lord S--- sent his Footman to me with this Letter.

My LORD DUKE,

BEING inform'd by the Earl of ---, That you are writing *A SUPPLEMENT*, to Mr. W. . . . 's *Short History of the last Parliament*, I shall presume to acquaint your Grace, That the best way to set the *Proceedings of that Memorable Parliament* in a clear light, will be to detect the true Character of the Right Honourable the Lord of the Lord B. . . . and of our New S. . . . (who is advanc'd to that great Post as the *Wages due for his last Years Service* *) as 'twas to their Dexterity, Munificence, and Eloquence, that we owe the many Loyal and Dutiful Things that were done in the last Parliament. And therefore, my Lord, as these Three enterprising Statesmen have distinguish'd themselves from all the Lord T. . . . s, S. . . . s, and Sp. . . . s that ever went before them: 'Tis necessary their true Character or SECRET HISTORY, shou'd be detected. And, my Lord, considering the undeserv'd Disgrace and Affronts that your Grace has met with from the present M---y, as well as from the Loyal Commons; no Peer in the Realm is so proper to make these Discoveries as your Grace; not only as you have been too great an Enemy to the French King ever to be forgiven; but as every Turn of your Head, Glance of your Eye, Motion of your Hand, Step of your Foot, is a Vexation and

* To use the Words in The Short History.

' a Plague to your Enemies, the *English* and *Scotch*
 ' *Jacobites*, who believe your very Shadow so fatal
 ' to all their Contrivances and Aims, that whilst
 ' you live (either at *London* or *Antwerp*) they
 ' shrivel, and wither your Breath and Victori-
 ' ous Character strikes Confusion to all their Plots
 ' both at *Lorain* and *Dunkirk*; and therefore
 ' 'twas necessary as you made such an illustrious
 ' Figure both at Home and Abroad, that you
 ' shou'd be disgrac'd, or their NEW SCHEME
 ' to bring in the *Pretender*, *Popery* and *Slavery*,
 ' cou'd not go on. Then, my Lord, 'twill be
 ' doing Justice to your self, as well as great Ser-
 ' vice to your Native Country, to expose O ,
 ' B , and our New S , in their true Co-
 ' lours, as 'tis to their Management of the Loyal
 ' and Dutiful Parliament, that your Grace owes
 ' all the Dishonours that have been done to your
 ' *Glorious Conduct*, as well as the Danger we are
 ' now in from a *Popish Pretender*.

' My Lord, I have made many Discoveries of
 ' late concerning these *Three Favorites* which I now
 ' send to your Grace, that your SUPPLEMENT
 ' might contain what seems to be wanting in that
 ' MATCHLESS PEICE intituled, *A short History of*
 ' *the Parliament*.

1. ' As to my Lord T your Grace knows
 ' him better than I, and therefore all I shall say
 ' of him (by way of Character) is only this: He
 ' is like a little Mist before the Rising-sun, which the
 ' more it grows, the less good it doth He is the
 ' Danger of the State, and the Kingdom's Curse, and
 ' therefore fit to be prefer'd a loft, as Hammon was.
 ' He is the Cloud of Darkness that
 ' threatneth Foul Weather, and if it grow to a
 ' Storm (as we are very near it) 'twill be dismal
 ' where it falls, for tho' the Persecution will be
 ' short, 'twill be very sharp*. But that which
 ' most

* See Bp, Usher's Prophecy.

concerted to bring in the *Pretender*, *Popery* and *Slavery*. And this *Black Charge* is now so generally believ'd throughout the whole Nation, (especially by the Men of Quality) that this very Morning my Lord S--- sent his Footman to me with this Letter.

My LORD DUKE,

‘ BEING inform’d by the Earl of ---, That you
 ‘ are writing *A SUPPLEMENT*, to
 ‘ Mr. W.....’s *Short History of the last Parliament*,
 ‘ I shall presume to acquaint your Grace, That
 ‘ the best way to set the *Proceedings of that Memorable Parliament* in a clear light, will be to detect
 ‘ the true Character of the *Right Honourable the*
 ‘ Lord of the Lord B..... and of our
 ‘ New S..... (who is advanc’d to that great
 ‘ Post as the *Wages due for his last Years Service* *)
 ‘ as ’twas to their Dexterity, Munificence, and
 ‘ Eloquence, that we owe the many Loyal and
 ‘ Dutiful Things that were done in the last Parliament. And therefore, my Lord, as these
 ‘ *Three enterprising Statesmen* have distinguish’d
 ‘ themselves from all the Lord T.....s, S.....s,
 ‘ and Sp.....s that ever went before them: ’Tis
 ‘ necessary their true Character or *SECRET HISTORY*, shou’d be detected. And, my Lord,
 ‘ considering the undeserv’d Disgrace and Affronts
 ‘ that your Grace has met with from the *present*
 ‘ M---y, as well as from the *Loyal Commons*; no
 ‘ Peer in the Realm is so proper to make these
 ‘ Discoveries as your Grace; not only as you have
 ‘ been too great an Enemy to the *French King*
 ‘ ever to be forgiven; but as every Turn of your
 ‘ Head, Glance of your Eye, Motion of your
 ‘ Hand, Step of your Foot, is a Vexation and
 ‘ a

* To use the Words in *The Short History*.

' a Plague to your Enemies, the *English* and *Scotch*
 ' *Jacobites*, who believe your very Shadow so fatal
 ' to all their Contrivances and Aims, that whilst
 ' you live (either at *London* or *Antwerp*) they
 ' shrivel, and wither your Breath and Victori-
 ' ous Character strikes Confusion to all their Plots
 ' both at *Lorain* and *Dunkirk*; and therefore
 ' 'twas necessary as you made such an illustrious
 ' Figure both at Home and Abroad, that you
 ' shou'd be disgrac'd, or their NEW SCHEME
 ' to bring in the *Pretender*, *Popery* and *Slavery*,
 ' cou'd not go on. Then, my Lord, 'twill be
 ' doing Justice to your self, as well as great Ser-
 ' vice to your Native Country, to expose O ,
 ' B , and our *New S*, in their true Co-
 ' lours, as 'tis to their Management of the Loyal
 ' and Dutiful Parliament, that your Grace owes
 ' all the Dishonours that have been done to your
 ' *Glorious Conduct*, as well as the Danger we are
 ' now in from a *Popish Pretender*.

' My Lord, I have made many Discoveries of
 ' late concerning these *Three Favorites* which I now
 ' send to your Grace, that your SUPPLEMENT
 ' might contain what seems to be wanting in that
 ' MATCHLESS PEICE intituled, *A short History of*
 ' *the Parliament*.

I. ' As to my Lord T your Grace knows
 ' him better than I, and therefore all I shall say
 ' of him (by way of Character) is only this: He
 ' is like a little Mist before the Rising-sun, which the
 ' more it grows, the less good it doth He is the
 ' Danger of the State, and the Kingdom's Curse, and
 ' therefore fit to be prefer'd aloft, as Hammon was.
 ' He is the Cloud of Darkness that
 ' threatneth Foul Weather, and if it grow to a
 ' Storm (as we are very near it) 'twill be dismal
 ' where it falls, for tho' the Persecution will be
 ' short, 'twill be very sharp*. But that which
 ' most

* See Bp, Usher's Prophecy.

' most blackens O Character is : 'Tis gene-
 ' rally affirm'd (since his last Advancement) that he
 ' has been privately given to those Sins of the
 ' Flesh which the little (or vulgar) People call
 ' Wh—g. I mean, my Lord, that *Conjugal Perjury*
 ' has not been too bitter a Pill for O— corrupt
 ' swallow : I won't affirm this to be Truth ; tho'
 ' 'tis *national Chat*, and there's rarely *much Smoke*
 ' *but there's some Fire* ; and therefore 'tis that his
 ' *keeping a Miss at the Nations Expence* (for those
 ' great Sums that are spent on Whores, that shou'd
 ' have gone to feed the Poor, may properly be
 ' call'd PUBLICK MONEY, and are to be accounted
 ' for to God, if not to Man) is one of those Sixty
 ' Articles of which his IMPEACHMENT consists, and
 ' of which 'tis fear'd (as Politick as he has been to
 ' undermine your Grace, and to blemish your Illu-
 ' strious Character) he won't be able to clear
 ' himself ; but what tho' his Lordship's great
 ' Sallary and high Station may have made him a
 ' little wanton, yet your Grace knows that we
 ' *Men of Quality* have a great deal to say for *keep-*
 ' *ing a Miss* (or any other Extravagance) as, *That*
 ' *it is not necessary for us to be so precisely Religious, so*
 ' *strictly Just, so nicely Temperate, or so very much an*
 ' *honest Man as they ought to be who have nothing else*
 ' *to live on ; That 'tis sufficient for us Noblemen, if*
 ' *we are not scandalously wicked ; That Wine and Wo-*
 ' *men were design'd to sweeten the Toils of great Places,*
 ' *and the FAIR created on purpose for the Diversion of*
 ' *the Great.*

' My LORD, no Man can doubt but these are
 ' the LEUD PRINCIPLES of all STATESMEM that
 ' *keep Whores* (for I love to call every Thing by its
 ' right Name) or they wou'd not dare to live in
 ' Adultrey, and call it only a *Trick of Youth*, or a
 ' *Venial sin* ; for as such 'tis defended by the
 ' KEEPING CULLIES. There's the Lord L
 ' declares

declares he cou'd love his Wife above all Women
 in the World, if she were not his Wife. The
 Duke of is of the same Mind, Sr. JOHN
 follows his Leud Example, and most Men of
 Quality have a Tang of this Rambling Fancy.
 But tho' Conjugal Perjury, (or Miss-keeping) is
 grown thus common and barefac'd, since LEUD
 HARRY (our Masquerading S. . . .) has brought
 Whoring again into Fashion at C. . . . rt; yet if
 my Lord T. . . . be guilty of it (which is a
 Secret better known to your Grace than me) I
 must say 'tis a more aggravated Sin in him than
 it can be in any other Miss-Keeper whatsoever,
 not only as he descends from Sir E. . . . , a
 Patriot of the most ILLUSTRIOUS PIETY that
 this Age has known; but as his Brother E. . . .
 and most of his near Relations, till of late, have
 been strict Dissenters, and himself not only a Mo-
 derate Churchman, but a great Respector of all
 serious Persons, that from a Principle of Consci-
 ence went to separate Meetings, of which, I am
 told, Dr. Williams is one, to whom he pays a very
 great Veneration. And therefore after such great
 Professions of Sanctity to keep a W. . . . , is so A-
 theistical, that I can't but think my Lord T. . . .
 Innocent as to this Charge; But let me correct my
 Charity! for what can't that Man's Conscience
 digest that can sacrifice his Country to the Power
 of France, or that will venture his Neck to bring
 into England a Popish Pretender; and there-
 fore I fear Common Fame has been no Lyar, but
 that the Lord T. . . . is as great a W. . . . m. . . r
 as he is a T. . . . tor; but, my Lord Duke, what
 ever his Guilt or Innocence may be as to this mat-
 ter 'tis certain, Hypocrisy is the cover of his Counter-
 feit Religion, and T. . . . trous Invention, is the
 Agent of his Ambition, if he did not both
 need and love Men of Lyes and corrupt Princi-
 ples but more especially such as are known Ene-
 mies

' mies to the House of *Hanover*, neither *Sachere-*
 ' *rel*, *The Examiner*, nor *Postboy* wou'd be so much
 ' in his good Graces. My Lord, if any Man assure
 ' your Grace otherwise, believe it an Imposition
 ' on your Understanding; and therefore let not
 ' your SUPPLEMENT accuse him of one good
 ' Quality, for that wou'd be to do him the great-
 ' est wrong Imaginable, and to impose on your self
 ' as much as he endeavours to do on the Nation:
 ' I might enlarge in the Lord T--- Character;
 ' but his Person as well as his Actions are so well
 ' known to your Grace, I think it needless; but
 ' I shall presume to be a little more particular in
 ' the Lord B--- Character, as believing you do
 ' not know him so well as my self.
 ' B---'s Religion, if he has any, is High-Church
 ' --- his Morality nothing --- his Delights Levity
 ' and Madness, (witness the Antick and Ridiculous
 ' Figure he lately made in the Masquerade,)
 ' --- his Pleasures are Dunkennes and Whoredom,
 ' VERTUE loves him not, and HONOUR fits him
 ' not --- *Jacobitism* and Arbitrary Power, are the
 ' Notes of his Inclination, and Division, and
 ' T---n are the fruits of his Invention --- In short
 ' he is so little a Saint he is the Shame of his
 ' Name, the Disgrace of his Place, the Blot of
 ' Loyalty, and a Scandal to the Church; and if
 ' he can compass his Ends (with Respect to bring-
 ' ing in the *Pretender*) will prove the Ruin of the
 ' whole Nation; for he is not only beyond dis-
 ' pute what the GUARDIAN calls a *Political Lyon*;
 ' but the worst of that bad Species as well as the
 ' worst of Men, (his Superior the Lord T---
 ' always excepted) --- His mighty Pretensions of
 ' LOYALTY to the QUEEN, and Zeal for the
 ' Church, (to which he goes but for Fashion sake,
 ' his debauch'd Life being the perfect Reverse of
 ' all Religion and Loyalty) is only intended to the
 ' Pretender, and to subvert the Protestant Suc-
 ' cession

' cession in the House of *Hanover* ; Why else did
 ' he not examine into those *surprizing Discoveries*
 ' concerning the *Pretender's Designs upon England*,
 ' which were lately made by the Reverend
 ' Mr. WILLIAM CLARK, in his Book intituled, *A*
 ' *Hint on the Times*, and by Mr. JOHN DUNTON in
 ' his *COURT-SPY*. My Lord, were not those
 ' Discoveries dedicated to the *Princess Sophia*, and
 ' to the *Elector of Hanover*? which sufficiently
 ' shews they were worth the Cognizance of a S---
 ' of S--- ; but, as Mr. CLARK observes *, No
 ' Inspection has been made into these Discoveries, tho'
 ' himself and Mr. Dunton were Two *Ear-Witnesses*
 ' of what has been asserted concerning the *Treasonable*
 ' Words and Practices of the *Jacobite Faction*, and
 ' that by a Person that is ready to attest upon Oath to
 ' the Truth thereof, upon the Assurance of such En-
 ' couragement and Protection as is absolutely necessary
 ' in such a Case. Then, my LORD DUKE, can
 ' any Man think that the little or no Encourage-
 ' ment that is given to the Discoveries that are
 ' made of the Pretender's Plots by the *Dissenting*
 ' Party and *Low Church-men*, en't a fair Proof that
 ' my Lord B--- is in the Pretender's Interest, or,
 ' wan't it so, why en't *Dunkirk* demolish'd? and
 ' the Pretender remov'd from *Lorain*? Whither
 ' our *English Jacobites* (daily) flock, as 'tis sup-
 ' pos'd, to advance their Fortunes upon a New
 ' Revolution, and to concert such Measures with
 ' their Tutor *Lesley*, as may best introduce the
 ' Pretender ; and yet the Lord T--- and Lord B---
 ' I'll warrant ye, (till their *Jacobite Projection* is a
 ' little riper) must pass for Two *Hanoverian*
 ' Protestants and *Mighty Church-men* ; but I would
 ' advise your GRACE always to be on your Guard,
 ' when such Masquerading Statesmen court your
 ' Friendship, imitate the Royal Prophet who kept

D 2

Silence

* In his Dedication to the *Elector of Hanover*.

Silence even from good Words, whilst the Ungodly were
 in sight, tho' it was Pain and Grief to him so to do :
 I cou'd add more Discoveries concerning the
 Jacobite Character of LEUD HARRY, but I pre-
 sume these short Hints will convince your Grace
 that my Lord B--- is more than suspected to be in
 the Pretender's Interest. And en't it plain by
 Took and BARBER, (the Two Gazette Printers)
 publishing the Mercator, that my Lord B--- is an
 Encourager of the MERCATOR, the very worst
 and Knavishest Paper Britain ever produced, (as is
 weekly prov'd by that most Ingenious and Faith-
 ful Writer The BRITISH MERCHANT) I'll not
 except The EXAMINER, tho' a Composition of
 Slanders and gross Falsehoods. But can such a
 Jacobite Wretch as The MERCATOR (which is
 said to be writ by Dr. D---m) be a Companion for
 the Lord T--- and the Lord B---, without con-
 vincing the World, that to save their Necks,
 they hire that Infamous Tool to prove Black, is
 White, and to disguise their Jacobite Designs with
 a Protestant Vizor, for 'tis certain, that Religion and
 Loyalty is made a Politicians Vizor, which having help'd
 him to his purpose, he casts by like Sunday Apparel,
 not thought on all the Week after. My LORD DUKE,
 this is the true Character of the Lord B....
 by which it plainly appears that his Religion
 and Loyalty, as well as his MORALS, are
 wretchedly out of order, or at least these last
 will appear to be so when I further assure your
 Grace that MASQUERADING HARRY still con-
 tinues to be (what he was when you left England)
 a Drunken whoring S.... of S...., and
 which is yet worse he is so Impudently Leud, 'tis
 confidently affirm'd, He has danc'd Naked
 before Has been a Keeping C...y many
 Years Debauches all the Young Women he
 comes near, and that he lately Cornuted a B--deer
 at the Expence of a Thousand Pound. But, my
 Lord,

Lord, all this is but *Common Fame*, (which has
 been often prov'd a *Lyar*;) but to come closer to
 him, I am able to prove that he kept a *W---* in
Covent-Garden, one *Miss J---nes*, (more fam'd for
 her *Wit* then *Beauty*;) and that he was wont
 to repair *Sneakingly* to her, I mean *Incog*, (for
 the *Devil's Servants* are always *asham'd* of their
 Master) as oft as the great Affairs of State
 cou'd dispence with his Absence: *Heavens!*
 what sort of *Loyalists* and *Christians* are these *High-*
Church-men! And which is yet stranger, the
 Lord *B---* was but a *Partner* in this *Strumpet*,
 but upon what Terms the Partnership began or
 continu'd, I can't tell, but can Name a Person
 of Credit that will inform your Grace, as he
 did me, that *Miss J---nes* was but a *Half-miss* to
 the Lord *B---*, and that she whor'd with him
 in *Covent-garden* at a constant Pension.

I might next discover to your Grace that
 Light, Airy, and Ridiculous Antick that *B---* acted
 in the *Masquerade*, so unbecoming the Gravity and
 Honour of a *S---* of *S---*, and I'm the more
 willing to discover *B---*'s Character as a *Masque-*
rader, as 'twill be a sort of Confirmation of all
 that Mad and extravagant Leudness that I here
 charge him with, and which I'll prove before
 Queen and Council, if he dare prosecute either
 the *Author*, *Printer* or *Publisher*, of these Truths
 for I'll appeal to your GRACE, if it en't
 a fine sight to see a *S---* of *S---* dress himself
 like a *Tapster*, *Water-man*, *Quaker*, *Ghost*, *Gipsy*,
Merry Andrew, nay *Devil*, (for they may well re-
 present what they act) to gratify the wanton
 Humour of a *Popish Ambassador* at a *Masquerade*,
 where one wou'd think (by the variety of *Antick*,
 and *Ridiculous Dresses* of both Sexes that appear'd at
Somerfet-House upon this Leud Occasion) that all
 the *QUALITY* that acted the *Masquerade* were
 run stark staring Mad. And therefore my Lord,
 did

• did I know that *Athenian Projector* (or indefati-
 • gable Novelist) Mr. John Dunton, I wou'd advise
 • him to Petition the next Parliament that *Mas-*
 • • *querding Harry* might be one of his Mad Patients;
 • for I am told this Day by the Lord H---, that
 • he is engag'd in a Project, (which will far exceed
 • his *Athenian Oracle* for Novelty, Wit and Learning)
 • that he intitles DUNTON'S MADHOUSE: Or,
 • *A Philosophick Amusement*, proving that all the Peo-
 • ple of Great Britain (the Queen and late Ministry
 • only excepted) are run distracted, but more especially
 • the *Masquerading Sinners of Quality*, from the Who-
 • ring Duke down to that mad Priest Dr. Sacheverel---
 • my Lord, I don't know what that PHILOSOPHY
 • is by which Mr. Dunton pretends to cure all the
 • Lunaticks of Great Britain of as many different
 • Frencys as there are People in it; yet this I'll
 • venture to say, that my Lord B--- is so distracted
 • in his Politicks and Leud Amours, that he ought to
 • be one of the first Patients that DOCTOR DUNTON
 • takes into his *Philosophick Madhouse*, for I'm able
 • to prove, that if ever there was a Mad S--- of
 • S--- since the Reign of William the Conqueror.
 • 'Tis the Lord B--- and I hope his *Masquerading*
 • Character will be sufficient to convince the
 • World what a Dutiful and Loyal Parliament that
 • must needs be that owes its being to the Con-
 • duct and Bribery of a Wh---g S---, and a
 • James T---. I have made more Discoveries con-
 • cerning these Two Politicians; but I reserve 'em
 • till a just Provocation, for he that winces at the
 • Discovery of plain Truth, can't be too much
 • expos'd, and that as much for his Folly as Kna-
 • very; for who but a perfect Madman wou'd
 • wince where he knows 'twill discover his Guilt,
 • and therefore if your GRACE will Honour me so
 • far as to insert this Letter in your intended
 • SUPPLEMENT, I'll prove all the Discoverys I
 • make in it to be *Matter of Fact* (except they are
 • such

' such that I only RELATE FOR HEARSAY) if
 ' either O--- or B--- shou'd have so little Honour
 ' or Conscience left as to prosecute *Naked Truth*
 ' under the unjust charge of FACTION (or a Dis-
 ' affection to the present Government) but tho'
 ' I'll Sacrifice my Life rather than not detect the
 ' Crimes of a *Guilty M---y*, if (to save their
 ' Necks) they either defend or paliate what they
 ' are charg'd with in this Letter, yet, my Lord, I
 ' shall attempt this Publick Service to my Native
 ' Country, without any Hopes of their *Reformati-*
 ' *on*, or without respect to any other Reward but
 ' the Glorious Satisfaction I shall have in my own
 ' Breast, of having done my Duty as a Loyal Peer
 ' and a sincere Protestant, for publick Shame I
 ' suppose will not much disturb such a T---r to
 ' his Country as the Lord T---, or such a Mad
 ' Rake as the Lord B--- for *Leud Harry* is such a
 ' Martyr to *Bacchus*, as well as to *Venus*, that he
 ' often Carouses and Tipples so long till he's
 ' above the World, for (as *Rocheſter* says) *He that*
 ' *is drunk is as great as a King.* --- There's but one
 ' thing that distinguishes Beast and Man, REASON,
 ' and that Drunkenneſs often Robs our S--- of to as
 ' great a Degree of Madneſs as was ever ſeen in
 ' the Debauch'd, tho' (at laſt) truly Penitent
 ' *Rocheſter*, and that B---'s End may be like his, I
 ' adviſe him to read *Mr. DUNTON's Hazard of a*
 ' *Death-bed Repentance*, which has been tranſlated
 ' into Six Languages, and to my certain Know-
 ' ledge has been the Converſion of as *Leud* a
 ' Man as himſelf: Or ſhou'd he dye IMPENI-
 ' TENT, as 'tis much to be fear'd when Men of
 ' his *distinguish'd Senſe and Judgment* (as *Dean*
 ' *KENNET* calls 'em) *dare live in a known Sin*; yet
 ' I'll own thus much in his favour that the
 ' ſtrongeſt Brain grows Mad and Giddy, when
 ' advanc'd to a Pinacle; and perhaps 'tis for that
 ' Reason our *State-Wit* is ſuch a *Slave to the Bottle*;

as

as thinking excessive drinking (as *Aristippus* affirms)
 will both cleanse and strengthen his Skull. And I
 suppose 'tis in this Sense that the Famous *Dryden*
 wou'd often say, *There is no deceit in a Brimmer;*
 for the liberal Cup is but *The sucking Bottle of*
the Sons of Phoebus to solace and refresh their
 Palates in the Night of sad Invention. And I find
 that truly Ingenious and Worthy Gentleman
 Mr. B. . . net of the same Opinion; for he tells
 the World, * *That the love of Wine is a Qualification*
that has always attended great Souls; That 'tis good
for a Politician, it elevates and multiplies his Schemes;
Then let B—'s Enemies rail at drinking, but let his
Lordship continue it since (as Mr. B. . . NET observes)
it will certainly make him more serviceable to his Queen
and Country, and more able to detect the Schemes of
Fanaticks and Republicans: Or if there's neither
 Wit, Physick or Loyalty, yet, as is seen in
 the Instance of Lord B. . . , to be sure there is
 Truth in Wine; for DRUNKEN HARRY no sooner
 gets into a Reeling Sickness, but we straight hear
 of the Rich Diamond that the French Tyrant
 gave him for retrieving his lost Glory in Europe, by
 promoting a Peace which (without a Miracle) will
 bring in the Pretender, Popery and Slavery, and for
 ever exclude the Hanover Succession, which (next
 to the Continuance of Her Majesty's Life) is the
 greatest Blessing that can befall us.
 Thus, my Lord, I have given you the True
 Character (or Secret History) of the Lord T. . . .
 and the Lord B. . . . , that the World might
 know to whose daring Conduct and Generalship the
 Nation is indebted for the many remarkable Services
 that were done in the last Parliament.
 My Lord, having proceeded thus far in The
 Secret History of the Present M. . . y, and of their
 loyal and dutiful Commons, I shall next give your
 Grace

* In his Book entituled, *Some new Proofs.*

' Grace the True Character of New S--- of this
 ' Noble Assembly, and here I shall do W... B...
 ' the Justice to say, tho' (by his late Advance-
 ' ment) he has receiv'd his WAGES (as I hinted be-
 ' fore) for his past Years Service. Yet I don't
 ' think he had any Hand In contriving a Peace with
 ' France, or that O--- or B--- has yet let him into
 ' the Dunkirk and Lorain Secret, however as he
 ' seems to value himself upon his Sacheverelite (or
 ' High-Church) Character, and has been chose
 ' the MOUTH to that memorable P--- Who for
 ' the Character of Loyal and Dutiful have sacrific'd their
 ' Country to the Power of France, it might some-
 ' thing lessen him in the Pretender's Favour (as well
 ' as render The Short History of the P--- Imperfect)
 ' if your Grace don't Honour him with a Cha-
 ' racter in your INTENDED SUPPLEMENT; for
 ' tho' he han't so boldly ventur'd his Neck as R--bin
 ' and H--ry have done in the Pretender's Service,
 ' yet no Loyal Subject to Queen Anne can think him
 ' any Enemy to the Chevalier St. George (tho' at-
 ' tainted of High-Treason) that reads his true Cha-
 ' racter, which is this following: W--- B--- was
 ' ever a zealous Tory or High-Church-man, and
 ' therefore I don't wonder he had all the V---s
 ' of the High-Church-Party for being S---; for he
 ' was always a constant and Resolute Leader of
 ' the Sacheverelite Faction, particularly in the Two
 ' first Parliaments of this Reign, when he brought in,
 ' and strenuously stickled for the Occasional Con-
 ' formity-Bill; but tho' B--- be a Tory (and which
 ' is yet worse a Bigotted one) yet he's clear of all
 ' that T---n, Immorality, and Leudness, that O---
 ' and B--- are charg'd with. B--- 'tis true is the
 ' Chief High-Church Commoner of Great Britain,
 ' and much Biggoted to the Rites and Ceremonies of
 ' the Church of England, yet he deserves Respect
 ' (were it for nothing else but his strict Morals) from
 ' the Honest Men of all Perswasions; for tho' he
 E be

' be a Bigotted Tory, yet so good that 'tis im-
 ' possible not to esteem him, and pity his *Mistakes*
 ' in *Politicks*; 'Tis certain *he's no Jacobite*, tho'
 ' so near a-kin to 'em; and his Errors are
 ' Pure Obedience to our Misguiding Clergy,
 ' which are an Order of Men he has too
 ' Implicit a Faith in, *there every Word is Gospel*, to
 ' the Good WELL-MEANING THING; and next
 ' them, *The Mercator, Abel, and The Examiner*, are
 ' his Infallible Guides, in short, they are all his
 ' P O P E S, and yet he detests Popery of all
 ' Things, I mean *Barofac'd Popery*, but in MASQUE-
 ' RADE, it passes with him as well as any of the
 ' *Thirty Nine Articles*, as much as he Reverences
 ' 'em, 'twere to be wish'd there were no more of
 ' his Stamp; but I meet vast Numbers of such,
 ' and worse a Thousand times. 'Tis an Observa-
 ' tion of mine, that *all Persons of much Zeal, and*
 ' *small Knowledge, of much Devotion and little Judg-*
 ' *ment, strong Passions and weak Reason are naturally*
 ' *Tories*, if of the Church of England; these are
 ' the Instruments the Papists work with in these
 ' Kingdoms, and I wish they had no other; but
 ' the Misfortune, is the Knavish Tricking Noisy
 ' part of Mankind, join 'em: In short, a Man
 ' must be a *Knave or Fool*, before he can be a
 ' Tory; not that I deny that there are ill Men in
 ' the other Party too; but tho' there may be,
 ' and certainly are as many ill Men as in the other,
 ' yet there cannot be such a Thing as a Fool.
 ' Let a Man's Vices be what they will, if he has
 ' Sense he is naturally a Whigg; for as I told
 ' your GRACE, a Knave may be a Whigg, but a
 ' Fool can't. I can't say there never was any Ex-
 ' ception to these Rules, but 'tis so rarely seen,
 ' that when your Grace has excepted the Lord
 ' C.....r, the late S..... of the H..... of
 ' C..... and Sir E..... N.... they, I don't
 ' know where you'll find Six *Tories* in the whole
 ' Kingdom

‘ Kingdom, (the House of Lords and Commons
 ‘ excepted) that en’t either *Fool* or *Knave*. And as
 ‘ this is all that I know, or can prove of ‘Squire
 ‘ B....s Character, ’tis all that I shall say of
 ‘ him.

‘ Thus, my Lord, I have sent you the true
 ‘ Character, (or Secret History) of those *Three*
 ‘ *Reigning Favorites*, that were the Conductors, or
 ‘ rather Managers of the last *Loyal and Dutiful*
 ‘ *Parliament*, to which I don’t doubt but your
 ‘ Grace will make such *Additions* and *Improvements*
 ‘ as you find necessary to perfect the *Secret History*
 ‘ of the *Present M--ry*.

‘ My Lord, I shou’d next proceed to discover
 ‘ the Secret Life and Character of our She-Politi-
 ‘ cian Mrs. *Abigail*; but she being a Person better
 ‘ known to your Grace and to the D...s of
 ‘ M..... than she is to me, I shan’t presume to
 ‘ send you any Discoveries relating to the Conver-
 ‘ sation and MINISTRY of that grateful Creature,
 ‘ as believing your *Supplement to the short History*
 ‘ will convince the World your Grace wants no
 ‘ Information upon that Head.—I cou’d in large,
 ‘ but ’tis time now to ask your Grace’s Pardon for
 ‘ presuming to trouble you with such a tedious
 ‘ Letter. I shall therefore conclude it with this
 ‘ BRITISH WISH, That your Grace may still con-
 ‘ tinue to *Realize in your Loyalty* to her Majesty
 ‘ those *Hyperbolical Expressions* of *Allegiance* and
 ‘ *Duty*, wherewith the PEACEFUL ADDRESSERS
 ‘ have even tir’d the Court all the last Year. And
 ‘ let that Idle Imputation and Reproach of Gene-
 ‘ ral for Life, wronging the Soldiers, and a Re-
 ‘ publican Design, be equally the Subject of your
 ‘ Diverſion and Scorn; when all Wise Men know
 ‘ you too Honest and Loyal to endeavour the un-
 ‘ hinging those firm Establishments of *Church* and
 ‘ *State*, to whose Fixation and Glory you lent so
 ‘ great an Hand, and I doubt not bear so true an
 ‘ Heart,

Heart, however enviously the contrary be insinuated by your inveterate Enemies (such as O--- and B---,) from whom God ever defend your Grace, and all good Men ; which I don't speak out of fear of their Persons, for Conscience makes Cowards of us all, and for that Reason I fear no *Jaacobite* Lord, tho' he shou'd *Look as big as Belzeebub*, or were as Haughty and Leud as B--- whilst he contiues to keep a W---, or is such a K--- to betray his Country to save his Neck. And as this is *Great Britain's* Case at present so 'twill always be in the same Danger from the Pretender, Popery and Slavery, whilst a P--- S--- of S--- (who is the Fountain of all Foreign, and Domestick Intelligence) is a Slave to a Leud Woman, for their are She Favourites, as well as Bearded ones ; and tho' this be the weaker Sex, yet both their *Passions* and *Enchantments* are the stronger of the Two. *Hercules* and *Achilles* were not the only *Heroes* that truckled to the Distaff: LUST has often govern'd the *Politicks*, and the Fortune of a whole Kingdom become the Pastime of a Debauch'd Woman ; for its too true that such Persons have trampled underfoot Crowns and Scepters, Lordships and Mannors, and even a S--- of S--- (if he'll keep a W....) must submit to her *Reigning Power*. 'Tis not long since there appear'd one of these Kept Strumpets, who was risen to so high a Degree of Insolence, that having been solicited about a certain Affair which had been represented unto her as *Just and Easy* to be done, that she might the more willingly imploy her self therein, she answer'd with a Fierceness worthy of her Sex and Profession : *That she used not her Credit so lavishly, that another might serve in so slight an occasion to do just and possible Things ; for her part, she accusom'd her self only to undertake those which were unjust and impossible.* And therefore whatever
 Crime

' Crime Whoredom may be in any other Peer,
 ' for a P--- S--- of S--- to keep a W--- (as I'll
 ' prove my Lord B--- does, when ever he'll stand
 ' the Test) it ought to be deem'd (and *Enacted*) High-
 ' Treason against the Queen; for 'tis well known
 ' that the present Grandeur of *France* is wholly
 ' owing to those S---te Whores, that were sent by the
 ' most Christian King to the *British* Court to govern
 ' Charles II. and some of the *Keeping-Cullies* in such
 ' a *Politick* Manner, as wou'd most contribute to
 ' the Grandeur and Power of *France*; which I hope
 ' will be a sufficient *Hint* to your Grace to request
 ' the *Illustrious House* of Hanover, that no Secrets
 ' may be sent from thence, either to Y--- B---ngs
 ' or W---H---, but what are proper to be seen by
 ' B---, W---, the *French* King, and (after that) by
 ' his *Vice-Roy* at *Bar-le-duc*; from whence, as I am
 ' inform'd by the Lord G---, your Grace has re-
 ' ceiv'd a large Packet of Secrets; which we
 ' hope to find in your SUPPLEMENT, and for that
 ' Reason your Friends in *England* expect it with
 ' great Impatience.

' My Lord, shou'd any *Court-Jacobite* desire me
 ' to prove the Truth of that *Secret History*, which
 ' I have here sent to your Grace, my Answer
 ' wou'd be: What I report for HEARSAY needs no
 ' Proof, as 'tis not publish'd as any direct Charge
 ' against either O--- or B---. Their Bribing the
 ' *Loyal and Dutiful Commons* (except R--- and H---y
 ' secure their Necks by an *Act of Grace*) will be
 ' detected by Mr. W---. And for that Treason I
 ' charge O--- and B--- with, 'tis largely prov'd by
 ' the Protestation of near Forty Lords, against a separate
 ' Peace, who call it: *Foolish, Knavish, Villanous* ---;
 ' the Effect of very I'll Advice --- of Pernicious Conse-
 ' quence to this Kingdom --- and a gross Breach of Trust,
 ' and of the Grand Alliance. And B---'s Whoredom is
 ' so notoriously known (especially his Leudness
 ' with Miss J-nes) that I suppose he has yet more
 ' Honour,

' Honour and Conscience left than to deny it himself,
 ' or if he does, it shall be well attested in a
 ' SECOND LETTER, I intend to send to your Grace
 ' at *Antwerp*, or if any thing prevents my sending
 ' any further Discoveries concerning these State-
 ' Criminals; 'tis only their *speedy Repentance*, and
 ' taking in good part what I here publish in pure Friend-
 ' ship; and therefore I hope they'll think the
 ' Tarest part of their Character an *Act of Merit*, for
 ' 'twas said of Archbishop *Cranmer*, Do my Lord of
 ' *Canterbury* an Ill Turn, and he'll be sure to be your
 ' Friend ever after; If Injuries have met with such
 ' a forgiving and generous Treatment, what may
 ' that *Act of Friendship* expect that has no mixture
 ' of worldly Interest? For 'tis their Reformation,
 ' (as 'twill save a whole Nation from Ruin) more
 ' than their Favour that I desire; and therefore
 ' shou'd O... or B... endeavour to suppress these Dis-
 ' coveries, 'twou'd be a plain Vindication of *Treason*
 ' in the first, and a Defence of *Mis-Keeping*, in the
 ' last; for this Account of their T... n and *Whoredom*
 ' is too notorious either to be deny'd or punish'd, with-
 ' out proving the Prosecutors guilty of the highest
 ' Injustice, for the whole Charge is now become
 ' such a *Vox Populi*, that 'tis believ'd by all the
 ' Loyal Subjects of Great Britain, but more especially
 ' those that were against a *Separate Peace*, as the
 ' only thing that cou'd indanger the *Hanover*
 ' Succession, engage the Pretender in New Plots, or
 ' expose us to the Power of France.

' But I tire your Grace, but remember 'tis
 ' England's Safety and my Friendship is the cause;
 ' besides, this is the only way I have to converse with
 ' you, and therefore is doubly allowable in

London, October

2. 1713.

Your GRACE'S

Constant Admirer,

and very Humble Servant

S ———.

My

My Lord O..... shou'd I give a full Answer to this long Letter of the Earl of S..... (against which I have no Objection but the *Overvalue* it puts upon those Faithful Services I endeavoured to do my Country) it wou'd oblige me to make more Discoveries concerning *the present State of the British Court, and the Loyal and Dutiful C...ns* then cou'd possibly come into the Bounds of *Post Letter*, I shall therefore reserve these *further Discoveries* to be the Subject of *Two Essays*, which I shall entitle :

(1.) *The Growth of Perkinism in Great Britain, but more especially at the English C...rt, being a Continuation of the Short History of the Parliament.*

(2.) *The Vision : Or, An Appendix to the Short History of the Parliament, in a Letter to Mr. W....*

My Lord, these *further Discoveries* will be printed at *Antwerp*, in the *English, French, Dutch, and German Language*, and will be sent to every Member of the *New British Parliament*, at their first sitting, and after that to all the Protestant Courts in *Europe*, and in particular to the *King of Sweden, the Elector of Hanover, and the States General* ; so that all I have further to discover in this SUPPLEMENT, is that *NEW SCHEME* (mention'd in the *Short History*) which the *English and Scotch Jacobites* have concerted for bringing in the *Pretender, Popery and Slavery* ; and, my Lord, the Discoveries that will be made by this *NEW SCHEME*, will be found a *Necessary Supplement* to *several Heads* in *Mr. W.....'s Short History of the Parliament* ; I own, my Lord, the detecting this *New Scheme*, will put your *Lordship's Neck* in danger, and perhaps will gall the haughty *B.....* for projecting a *SEHEME* that has brought the *Martyrdom of the English Protestants* almost in View, and therefore I must expect (tho' perhaps your *Lordship* will be more confidate) that *GUILTY HARRY* will prove my inrag'd Enemy ; for, if that be true (as is said of him) that he cou'd act so *MEAN* a Revenge as to *Mob* it

in *Masquerade*, to see such a *LITTLE MAN* in the Pillory as *Will. Hurt*, what must a *Peer of the Land* expect, (that in Discharge of his Duty) detects his *Whoredom* and *Jacobite Scheme*, [For the *New Scheme* for bringing in the *Pretender Popery* and *Slavery*, may properly be call'd *B*'s Scheme as the same Project, is publish'd weekly by that graceless Fellow, or *Rascal** of his, the *Examiner*.] However, my Lord, at the Head of Truth I dare face the Devil, or as Proud a Fury as the Lord *B*, and that with a brighter Weapon than a Pen. Nay, I cou'd despise even the AXE it self (for the Hurt it could do my NECK) if I was martyr'd by it to save my Country. To fear was a Passion I ever thought below me, both as a Man, a Soldier, a Peer of the Realm, and a Christian. And (to use the Words of our New Senator †) I hope I shall always keep up my Spirits by the Goodness of my cause; Calamities astonish only Men of ordinary Spirits, he must be Ignorant of the Condition of Humane Life, who fears or flies the Miseries that attend it, to scorn, to flatter, and to be above Accidents, is one of the greatest Masteries of Man; and therefore shou'd *B* insult me for speaking of bold Truths (that has ruin'd his Country, and now keeps a *W*) I trust I shall be as confident as he Impudent, for (as Mr. Steel well observes) In the House, and as a Member of Parliament, I am accountable to no Man, but the Greatest Man in England is accountable to me.

Then

* Alluding to that weekly Paper intituled, *The Englishman: Being the Sequel of the Guardian*, where in Numb. I. Mr. Steel calls, *The Examiner*, *B*'s *Rascal*, a *Lord's Fool*, *Tool*, a *graceless Rogue*, a *Fellow in a Livery*, &c.

† Mr. Richard Steel a Member of Parliament for *Stockbridge*, and Author of that truly ingenious and celebrated Paper intituled *The GUARDIAN*.

Then if CHRISTIAN VALOUR allows us to draw either Sword or Pen, or to venture our Necks in the Cause of God, our Country, or in Self-defence, to be sure I shall neither flatter your Lordship nor LEUD HARRY, in the Account I am going to give of the New Jacobite Scheme to introduce the Pretender, Popery and Slavery, for it's but just the Authors and Abettors of England's Miseries (be they never so great or powerful) shou'd be retriev'd from oblivion, and their Infamy shou'd be handed down to the Unhappy Children, that shall have reason to curse their Fathers Villanies and Treasons; so that as I have already given your Lordship -- A GENERAL ACCOUNT of what I mean by -- Neck or Nothing -- (both as it respects your Lordship's HEAD for contriving a Jacobite-Peace; Leud Harry's NECK for tripping to France for Diamonds; Mrs. Abigail's TONGUE, for plotting a suspected Traitor into New Favour; the Loyal and Dutiful Parliament, for sacrificing their Country to the Power of France; and my own HONOUR and COURAGE, in accusing a Guilty Ministry.) I shall now be more PARTICULAR in my Discoveries, as they respect the NEW SCHEME which the English and Scotch Jacobites have concerted for bringing in the Pretender, Popery, and Slavery. Which NEW SCHEME (as your Lordship must needs know) was an unanimous Agreement amongst the Jacobite-Party of the Church of England in these FIVE Resolutions.

1. To revive their old Abdicated Doctrine of Passive Obedience and Non-Resistance, that so upon Principles of (pretended) Loyalty to the Princess Sophia (the Heir to the Crown by Act of Parliament, and upon Revolution Principles) they might smooth the Way for the Pretender, by asserting this plain Contradiction, That there might be an Indefeasible Hereditary Right in the Illustrious House of Hanover.

2. To imploy such Jacobite Tools, as Sacheverel and Higgins, to preach up the Church is in Danger from

from the Dissenters and Low-Churchmen; whereas, were it put to the Vote, it wou'd be found, there is not a Dissenter or Low Church-man in the Queen's Dominions, but wou'd declare for a firm Establishment of the Church of England, if it will satisfy it self to continue a Church upon moderate Principles; I mean if the High Church-men wou'd so part their Nails of all persecuting Principles, that they may never more plunder Dissenters Dwellings (as they did Dr. Samuel Annesley's) burn their Meeting-Houses (as they did Mr. Burgess's) imprison their Ministers (as they did Mr. Jenkins's) or CLAW whole Families to Death (by Fines, Jails and Severities) for only serving God according to their Consciences.

3. To report that the WHIGS are for bringing in the Pretender, that their own Jacobite Plots might be less suspected, the whole Militia is put into Tory Hands; and now but High Church-men advanc'd either in Church or State.

4. To divide all Her Majesty's Protestant Subjects, by branding them with the Odious Names of High-Church, Low-Church, Fanaticks, Republicans, Schismaticks; that so by our unnatural Divisions they might strengthen their own Party, and at last wholly root out the very Name of Protestant in Great Britain. And, my Lord, so resolv'd are the JACOBITE PARTY to prosecute this part of their New Scheme to introduce the PRETENDER, that your impudent Tool the Examiner* now tells us plainly: 'Such is the Nicety of this Juncture, that even our Friends are ready to revolt as imagining that the Faction which they hate and oppose, must be in the right; because not yet reduc'd by those whose only Safety is the others Ruin.'

5. To prevent, if possible, the Demolishing of Dunkirk, and sending the Pretender from Bar-le-duc; the Two Theaters on which the Jacobite Party are to

* See the Examiner, Numb. 36. Vol. 4.

*Plot and Rehearse * that bloody Trajedy call'd Indefeasible-Hereditary-Right, before they come to Act it in Great Britain.*

This, my Lord, we have found by Experience is that *New Scheme*, that the *English* and *Scotch* Jacobites have unanimously concerted and agreed to, for bringing in the Pretender, Popery and Slavery, and how closely they have kept to it is sufficiently seen --- by your Lordship's *Advising to a separate Peace with France.* --- By the tedious Delay there has been in demolishing Dunkirk (even till Winter, which 'twas known wou'd retard its Demolition as much as your Lordship's Politicks did before) --- By the Pretender's continuing still at Lorain, (notwithstanding Her Majesty's repeated Instances to have him remov'd) --- And lastly, by the Growth of Perkenism in Great Britain, but more especially at the English Court. --- All these are infallible Proofs of the Reality of that Jacobite Scheme that is here detected; or if any Honest Tories (for 'tis not impossible but there may be such) being blinded either by Prejudice or Interest, shou'd still question whether this New Scheme was actually concerted by the English and Scotch Jacobites, for bringing in the Pretender; I wou'd advise them to consider the following Discoveries concerning Dunkirk and Bar-le-duc; and to believe the great Probability there is that the TRADE-BILL will pass next Session of Parliament, and then let 'em question the Truth of this Jacobite Scheme if they can.

For first, As to Dunkirk: The ingenious Talard, in his Book intituled DUNKIRK or DOVER, tells the World, "The Queen's Honour, the Nations Safety, the Liberties of Europe, and the Peace of the World are all at Stake, till Dunkirk be totally demolished by the French." And tho' the Sieur

F 2

Tugge

* Alluding to a Jacobite Paper that Lesley publish'd formerly in London, which he intitled, The Rehearsal.

Tugghe had a Deputation from the Magistrates of
 Dunkirk, to petition the Queen that *Dunkirk* might
 not be demolish'd, yet (says Toland) "None in
 " *Europe* is so stupid as to imagine any Town in
 " *France* wou'd dare, of their own Heads, to send
 " Deputies to any Potentate whatsoever, nor
 " wou'd such Deputies dare to come hither on
 " such an impudent Errand, unless supported by
 " hopes better grounded than appears to every
 " Body, but which, in time, may be made ma-
 " nifest to all the World. Mr. Toland further ob-
 " serves that the chief Agent in causing the *Sieur*
 " Tugghe's Address to be printed, and given away
 " to try the Pulse of the People was a BARONET,
 " who so spends his time between *Mincin-lane*,
 " *Somerset-House*, and *York-Buildings*, that 'tis not
 " more easy to say at which of those Places he
 " lives, than whether in a little time at this Ubi-
 " quitarian Rate he can be properly said to live
 " in any Place at all."—Thus far Mr. Toland, who
 all the World do acknowledge to be a Gentleman
 of most Refin'd Sense, of Good Intelligence, and of
 Great Veracity; And by living in London, and
 knowing the BARONET, that walks so often from
Mincin-lane to *York-Buildings*, has a better Opportu-
 nity than most other Men to know O---'s Secrets
 concerning *Dunkirk*, and I'll appeal to your Lord-
 ship if Toland's Discoveries don't fairly prove the
 present slow Demolition of *Dunkirk* to be a meer
 Politick Amusement to stop the Clamours of the
 Subjects of Great Britain, till O--- can know the
 Mind of the next Parliament with Respect to the
Hanover Succession; for if their wan't some Turn to
 be serv'd, by deferring the Demolition of *Dunkirk*
 till the Winter Season, Why wan't it demolish'd in
 Summer, when that Dispatch might have been
 made in a Month, that now can't be made in Six? Or
 if TIME DON'T MAKE IT MANIFEST (to use Mr. To-
 land's Words) That there was some greater MYSTERY
 in

in the deferring the Demolition of *Dunkirk* than
 yet appears to every Body (and that this MISTERY
 was keeping close to the SCHEME that the *English*
 and *Scotch* Jacobites have concerted for the bring-
 ing in the *Pretender*, *Papery* and *Slavery*) I'll fairly
 ask your Lordship's Pardon for this unjust Suspi-
 cion, and that in a Publick Recantation, for I shall
 be very glad to be mistaken in this Charge of
Treason against your Lordship; but I greatly fear
 I am not, for " There was nothing (says the *Short*
 " *Historian*) that the People of *England* have been
 " better pleas'd with than the delivering up *Dun-*
 " *kirk*, and the Hopes of its Demolition; this
 " seems to be expressely provided for in the *Treaty of*
 " *Peace*; and that it shou'd be done within Five
 " Months after the *Conditions of Peace* were con-
 " cluded and sign'd; but there was no Demoliti-
 " on at the Expiration of that Time; and which
 " is yet stranger, the *Loyal* and *Dutiful Commons*
 " made a Provision for the Garrison of *Dunkirk*
 " till *Christmas* next, and granted 40000 *l.* for that
 " purpose; and therefore (adds Mr. W—) after
 " this, What can we suppose too gross to pass upon
 " this *House of Commons*? So that 'tis plain there
 was some *Jacobite* Mistry in the deferring the Demo-
 lition of *Dunkirk* so many Months beyond the time
 that was at first agreed on by the *Treaty of Peace*;
 and therefore if I might depend on your Lordship's
 forgiving Temper, I wou'd venture to tell you free-
 ly my Thoughts of DUNKIRK, which are: " That
 " *Dunkirk* is as much the *French King's* as ever, and
 " all that has yet been done on our part there is
 " meer Trick, and one of the smallest Impositions
 " put upon us by our Fellow-Subjects, or rather
 " Princes, for some of them act as if they took
 " themselves for such." My Lord, this BLACK
 CHARGE against O— and B—, with respect to
 their DUNKIRK-T—N, does no ways reflect on
 either the Honour, Wisdom or Conduct of her Maje-
 sty,

fly, with respect to the *Separate Peace* that is made with France, the *Non-demolition* of Dunkirk, or any other matter that concerns Her Majesty's Government, for the best of Princes (as I shall prove in the Conclusion of this SUPPLEMENT) are sometimes forc'd to see and hear by the Eyes and Ears of their Ministers, and if they deceive or betray 'em by their *Ill Advice* at Home, or *Separate Treaties* abroad, it no ways reflects on the Honour or Justice of the Prince, or if their be any Instances in former times wherein Princes have deserv'd to be blam'd for the *Ill Conduct* of their Ministers, there never was any thing like it in Her Majesty's whole Reign; and therefore as Queen Anne is wholly a Stranger to all the *Jacobite* Plots that are now carrying on at Dunkirk and Bar-le-duc, against her just (I mean her Revolution) Title to the Crown; so 'tis almost impossible she shou'd ever detect that *Gilded Treason*, that now (in a Protestant Mask) Plots to usurp Her Throne; For what Prince (tho' as wise as Solomon) cou'd even detect the Treason of that *Judas-Statesman*, that Plots his Ruin under a Pretence of Loyalty? Which is exactly Her Majesty's Case, with Respect to that *Jacobite Treason* that has been long hatching by Her Pretended Friends at Dunkirk and Bar-le-duc; for Her Majesty is so far from having either Her Hand or Heart in the *New Scheme*, for bringing in the Pretender, Popery, and Slavery, that the DUNKIRK PLOT against her spotless Honour and Crown has been all along carry'd on by O--- and B--- under the specious Pretence of Loyalty to Her Person and Government. And what Prince (except He that's Omniscient) cou'd ever see the Pretender, or Treason lye hid under the Gilded Superficies of so much seeming Goodness, and Loyalty? For that the Dunkirk (or Jacobite) Plotters, might display their Pretended Loyalty, or (in plainer English) might the better conceal their Treason from our Protestant Queen, they assure Her Majesty,

That

That Dunkirk is put into Her Hands according to the separate Treaty of Peace, and that 'tis now demolishing; but 'twou'd be Ridiculous to believe the French King (whose *bona fide* is never to keep his Word) will carry the Jest so far as to demolish a Place that cost him so much to Fortify, and may one Day be as useful to make us Slaves as it has been of late to make us Fools; which French Policy, in perswading your Lordship to defer the Demolition of Dunkirk, puts me in mind of what Philip de Commines some where affirms in History: "That we
 " scarce ever fail'd to bang the French in the Field, nor
 " they to bubble us in a Treaty." And for that Reason I will dare to say to the Greatest Man at Court, or in Y---B---ngs, That the Nation scorns to accept of an amusing or slow Dilapidation at Dunkirk, (meerly to stop the Clamour of such Loyal Subjects, that are uneasy to think the Pretender has but Three Hours sail from Dunkirk to England) but expects a speedy and total Demolition of Dunkirk. If the Nation shou'd be BOB'D of its Expectations, I cannot help it; but I confess I shall think all such M---sters of S---T---tors to their Queen and Country, who are the Cause of it; and hope to see 'em Impeach'd the next Session of Parliament, for (to use the Words of the Ingenious Toland)
 " The best Men in Britain have the Face to expect the
 " Demolition of Dunkirk, and will set their Faces a-
 " gainst all those that seek to delay or obstruct it. Or suppose, my Lord, the Victorious Progress of the French Army in Germany, has put all Europe into such a Fright, as has forc'd your Lordship, and your Brother T---tor, so far to alter your Measures as to agree (at last) to the Demolition of Dunkirk; yet han't your deferring the Demolishing of it till the Winter Season, given longer time to the Pretender to pursue his Scheme for invading of us; and 'tis clear by the frequent drinking his Health in England, and Publick Talk of his Restoration in
 Scotland,

Scotland, that the *English* and *Scotch Jacobites* know what use to make of this *Reprieve* that is given to him to contrive our Ruin. Or, my Lord, suppose *Dunkirk* had been totally demolish'd at the very Time agreed on by the Treaty with the French King, yet what Security have we against the Pretender's Plots, so long as he's suffer'd to live in *LORAIN*, where the New Scheme for his Restoration is as zealously pursu'd as it is at *Dunkirk*. Then supposing *Dunkirk* were wholly demolish'd, (as I shall never believe it is, till I see it done with my own Eyes) yet how can any *ENGLISHMAN* (that en't entirely in the Pretender's Interest) rest a Moment in Quiet till the Pretender is remov'd from *Lorain* to his Holy Father the Pope, or to some other distant Place where our *English* and *Scotch Jacobites* can't correspond with him, (or pursue their Scheme for his Restoration) as they now do at *Bar-le-duc*; for, my Lord, I'm assur'd from Scotland by a Person of Credit. " That a Freeholder in the County of *Dumfreis*, receiv'd a Letter from an Acquaintance, " who is now in the Pretender's Family at *Bar-le-duc*, " desiring his Vote for Mr. *Howston*; and assuring him that the KING his Master had nothing " so much at Heart as good Elections for this " Parliament; and that his Majesty wou'd not " fail to remember and reward those that made " such a Choice as he now advis'd his Friend to. And I am told by a Gentleman that lately saw the Pretender at *Bar-le-duc*, that " He talks with as " much Assurance of being crown'd King of *England*, as if he had already usurp'd the *British* " Throne. Which great Impudence in the Pretender proceeds from the Growth of *Perkennism* in Great Britain (but more especially at the *English* Court) as I shall prove in a Letter to the Lord B. . . And in the mean time you may assure his Lordship that I am inform'd from very good Hands in *Wiltshire*, " That at the Election for one of the " Western

“ Western Counties, the Inspectors for one Side
 “ supposing that a great Number of *Jacobites* and
 “ Papists wou’d be ready to give their Votes, or-
 “ der’d the High Sheriffs Officer to tender the
 “ Oath of Abjuration, several of the Persons who
 “ came there refus’d it; upon which Sir R... H...
 “ came to the Officer, and order’d him to forbear
 “ administering the Oath to any; and let ’em,
 “ says he, take their Remedy above; the under
 “ Sheriff came afterwards with the same Expres-
 “ sions, only adding, That it shou’d be tender’d to
 “ none but *Quakers*.” I have here given your
 Lordship a *Glimpse of the Growth of Perkenism in*
Great Britain; and I think it sufficiently shews
 how BOLD the *English* and *Scotch Jacobites* are in
 pursuing their New Scheme for restoring *Perkin*.
 And the daring Treason that was lately publish’d
 in *London* (entituled, *Seasonable Queries relating to the*
Birth and Birthright of a certain Person) seems to hint
 that the Lord B--- is privy to this Scheme; for is
 it likely that such eminent Booksellers as A.....
 B.... C..... wou’d have ventur’d their Necks for
 selling a few *Treasonable Queries*, if they had not
 been encourag’d in it by some Great Actor behind
 the Curtain? And who can swear that the Lord B...
 is not the Person, for had he not been in the Secret,
 or had the *Treasonable Queries* been publish’d by a
 Dissenter or Low-Church-man, (as the Post-Boy
 asserts) LOYAL HARRY wou’d have offer’d a Thou-
 sand Pound at least for the apprehending the
 Author of this *New Politick Scheme* to bring in the
Pretender by way of Query; ’tis true these *Twenty*
Queries (for that is their number) are too impudent
 to pass at present without binding over the Dispersers
 of ’em to publick Justice; but this is but a Sly
Amusement to save B....’s Neck from the Axe, in
 case the next Parliament consists of *Godfreys*,
Heyssams, *Wards*, and *Scawens*, I mean of such
 LOYAL PATRIOTS, as will think it their Duty to
 confirm

confirm the Protestant Succession in the illustrious House of Hanover, and to declare the Author of these Twenty Queries guilty of High-Treason. I won't assert that these *Jacobite Queries* are written by the Lord B---, or that he encourages the publishing of 'em, yet I must say, his making "No Inspection into the Treason-able Words and Practices respecting the Pretender, that a Papish Maid lately offer'd to attest upon Oath, fairly proves he is in the Pretender's as well as the French Interest; And, I don't doubt but that Rich Diamond that was given to him by the French King, was an Earnest of that Great Advancement and Honour he is to have in the British Court, if ever the Pretender is crown'd King. But of what Nature must that Honour be that an English M---r acquires by being more the Friend of France than Britain, and retrieving French Affairs by perplexing those of his Native Country? Such a Man (if any such there be) must necessarily be *Odious to the present, and Infamous to future Ages*, and 'twere to be wish'd no such could be found; but *History* furnishes us with undeniable Proofs that such there have been, and Experience, sad Experience (*had the Bill of Trade and Commerce pass'd*) would have convinc'd us that such there are. My Lord --- I point in this to no Person, but leave the *Guilty by their Resentment to point out themselves*; yet I shall accuse B--- so far as to say if a *Jacobite S--- sacrifice his Country to the Power of France* meerly to serve the Pretender's Interest, or perhaps to enrich his Miss (for 'tis well known to the *Keeping C-lies, Twenty Kind and Vertuous Wives* may be kept as cheap as one *Lavish, Rampant, Domineering W---*) 'tis very likely that such a S--- of S--- will encourage and protect those scribbling *Rascals* that (like *The Examiner*) insult our best Patriots in *Billingsgate* Language, and invent *Treasonable Queries*; But O--- tell B--- from me if he shews more Favour to the Publishers of those *Twenty Queries* (which call Queen ANNE an Usurper) than he does to the Dispersers of this *Supplement* (which proves her our rightful and Glorious Queen) 'twill be plain he encourages the Pretender's intended *Rebellion*, and will be the blackest part of that Long Impeachment that he is to expect next Session of Parliament; for 'tis clear by the excellent Choice that the *Whigg-Livery-men* of London have made of

of the *Four Merchants** that 'tis hop'd) will represent them in next Parliament, that tho' the *Mercenary Country* en't, yet, that the *Protestant City* (which was ever esteem'd half the Strength of the Kingdom) is above taking Bribes to stifle *Impeachments*, or (in plainer *English*) to protect such in their Treason whose Heads have been long expected on *London-bridge*, and had been now adorning of Two Poles (for pursuing the *Jacobite Scheme* at *Dunkirk* and *Bar-le-duc*) had not the *Luidores* so dazzled the Eyes of the last Parliament, that they could not distinguish Treason from Loyalty; And, my Lord, 'tis generally thought it must be either *French Gold*, or else your mis-applying that *Loyal Money* that was given to pay off the *Civil List*, that must save that Neck (a second Time) which you have so often *ventur'd* to ruin the Nation.

Thus, my Lord, I have fairly prov'd that the *New Scheme* that the *English* and *Scotch Jacobites* have concerted to bring in the Pretender, is no *Fiction*, and that (were *Dunkirk* wholly demolish'd) til the Pretender is remov'd from *Bar-le-duc*, he'll be still plotting to dethrone the Queen, to Bribe the Parliament (as is seen in the Case of *Hewston*, and the *Western Knight*) and to confound the Nation. — And as the Pretender Plots in *Politics*, so he does in *Religion*; for I can assure your Lordship that my *Papish-Spy* has sent me Word from *Bar-le-duc*, "That the Pretender to Her Majesty's Crown is also become a Pretender to Her Religion, by a Sham Profession of the Communion of the Church of England." My Lord, if *Bar-le-duc* be the known Place where the *English* and *Scotch Jacobites* do thus boldly and publicly pursue their *New Scheme* for bringing in a *Sham-Prince* to usurp Her Majesty's Throne, what must the World think of the Pretender's being still in *Lorain*? Tho' that Duke, when desired by the Court of France to admit him refus'd it, unless the Queen of Great Britain wou'd desire it; Can we suppose that he is less afraid of Her Majesty's Resentment from any new increase of strength in himself; or from a good Understanding how Matters go here? And in what Sense Her Majesty's Instances,

* *John Ward Esq;* *Robert Heysham Esq;* *Peter Godfrey Esq;* *Thomas Scarwen Esq;*.

stances, and the Parliaments Addresse's are to be taken, I believe he knows not in the literal one. The Dissolution approach'd, and something (thought O— and B—) was to be done to *please the Country, and secure their being elected*. 'Tis to this, no doubt, we owe two such extraordinary Steps as those Addresses, and the throwing out the Darling of their Eyes the *Trade-Bill*, if one can call that throwing out, which, I believe, is only laid aside till the next Session of Parliament. And what wou'd the *Tories* say if some, and the chief of those who voted against it at that time, are now gathering Hands in the *Trading Towns*, to *Petitions for bringing in that very Bill*, and if 'tis brought into the *House* again by some Members of Parliament *falsifying their Promises, and betraying that Trust* that the *WOOLLEN ELECTORS* have repos'd in 'em, let the World judge if the Revival of the *Trade-Bill* (as well as the Discoveries I have made at *Dunkirk and Bar-le-duc*) en't a fair proof that the *English and Scotch Jacobites* have concerted a *New Scheme* for bringing in the *Pretender, Popery, and Slavery*.—Some short account of the *Secret History* of this *Treaty of Commerce* might not be improper here; but this is so fully detected by Mr. W— in his *Short History of the Parliament*; I think it needless to enlarge this *Supplement* with any further Discoveries upon that Head, it shall therefore suffice that I only remind your Lordship that when the *VIIIth and IXth Articles* came to be consider'd (by the *Loyal and Dutiful Commons*) and it was manifest to every Body that the plain Sense and Meaning of them cou'd no ways be understood but to the prejudice of *Great Britain*, these were call'd *Factionous Constructions*, and such as *France* never meant or design'd, which I take to be a further Proof of the *Reality of the New Scheme to introduce the Pretender*; For what Member of Parliament cou'd ever espouse the Interest of *France*, to the starving all such whose Living depends upon the *Woollen Manufactures*, that was not either blinded with *French Gold* or intirely in the *Pretender's Interest*. — In short, the Title of all the *Acts* of that Party may, and ought, like *St. John's Woman*, to have *Mystery* written in their Foreheads, for that's their real Character, and if one add *Iniquity* to it, I believe we shou'd not err. My Lord, having given your Lordship a *True Copy of the New Scheme that the English and Scotch*

Scotch Jacobites have concerted for bring in the Pretender, Popery and Slavery. And having shewn how this Jacobite Scheme has been pursu'd at Dunkirk, Bar-le-duc, — By the last Loyal and Dutiful Commons — At the Elections for the New British Parliament — At W—H— and in Y—B—ngs, I shall conclude this Supplement to the Short History of the Parliament with a Letter which was sent to me by the Lord H—, which not only proves the Reality of the New Jacobite Scheme to bring in the Pretender, but in some measure confirms the Truth of all those other Discoveries which I have here sent to your Lordship. And the Lord H—'s Letter was this which follows :

London, October 10. 1713.

My Lord Duke,

HAVING had various Discoveries of your Grace's Magnanimity of Soul, for the Good and Welfare of Her Majesty's Person and Title, as also for the true English Constitution, and being inform'd by the Earl of S— that your Grace is writing *A Supplement to Mr. W—'s Short History of the Parliament*, wherein you intend to insert *The New Scheme which the English and Scotch Jacobites have concerted for bringing in the Pretender, Popery, and Slavery*; For these Reasons I have taken the Boldness to inform your Grace of the Insolence of the Jacobite Faction in a singular Instance, viz. A Fortnight ago a Gentleman coming from *Lyn Regis* in the Coach, he had for a Companion another Person, whom he found very forward to push on Discourse about *State Affairs*, highly commending the Proceedings of some Persons of *Distinction*, and of the High-Church-men and *English Jacobites* in general. My true hearted English Gentleman, willing to humour his Companion, seemingly sided with him, insomuch that his new Associate told him *he might assure himself the KING* (meaning the Pretender) wou'd be in *England* before *Lady-Day* next. My English Gentleman urging the seeming Im-

possibility

possibility of such an Attempt from the unanimous Declaration of the late House of Commons, in favour of the Hanover Succession, met with this Answer: Sir, All that, with every thing else you may suppose of that nature signifies nothing, for I can assure you we know things will appear with another Face shortly; besides (said he) we have Sixteen Peers securely of our Side.

— My true English Gentleman coming to bait the last Day's Journey, told this bold somebody, He must have his Company to London, who was surpriz'd at the Expression, as well he might, for a Constable was sent for; but before he could be got, the Jacobite made his Escape; and the honest English Gentleman was oblig'd to come to Town without his Companion, as well as the Coachman without his Fare.—Your Grace's Sentiments upon this Discovery of the Pretender's speedy Design to raise a Rebellion in England, may be of great use to Her Majesty's Loyal Subjects, if not wholly frustrate that Popish Plot that is now hatching at Bar-le-duc.

I could send to your Grace many other Discoveries (which I have lately made) concerning the Resolutions that the English, Scotch, and (I may add) Irish Jacobites have taken to bring in the Pretender, and also concerning the present traitorous Conduct of the Earl of O— and V— B—; but for the present I shall only send the following Discoveries, viz.

There was yesterday carry'd into the S— Office a very large Pack, as much as a Man could carry of Printed Papers, seiz'd at the Bell-Savage-Inn; and the Week before, at Chester, as many as cost 5 l. carriage up to Town; These last were going for Ireland, and seiz'd at Chester. In short, what they were to whom they belong'd, or how discover'd, is yet a Secret; but by this Discovery your Grace may see what watch is laid for Secrets that concern either the Pretender, or the House of Hanover.

Things seem now to draw to a Crisis, and 'tis generally thought a little Time will show all Men in their true Light. At present your Grace may have some Idea of our deplorable Case, if you'll peruse The true Secret History of Queen Elizabeth, to be found

found in the Collection of Rarities entitled *The Phoenix* *

' I shall next inform your Grace that S---n is gone privately for *Bar.le.duc*; one of H-- M--- Yatchts attended him to *France*, on this Expedition. You know, I suppose, that H-- M--- has given the whole *Savoy* to the T---r; which is a Grant at 30000 l. a Year. But my next Discovery concerning *Dunkirk* will surprize ye more; for what would you think if the Letter that betray'd the late King's Design upon *Dunkirk* was written by ---- to the *French King*; tho' the Parties you know that bore the Blame, took it on them (tho' both Innocent and Ignorant of it, till it was done to save somebody's Life and Dignity?) As odd as this may seem to your Grace, 'tis a certain Truth, and the late Kings Reconciliation with, and Promotion of the D--- of M--- before his Death, was owing to that Letter's being return'd from *France* into the King's Hand by a SPY in the *French Cabinet*; This you may depend upon, for I have it from good Hands; then judge the rest.

' In short, my Lord, cou'd you open the Nation's Eyes to morrow by your *Supplement to the Short History*, and detecting the *Jacobite Scheme*, it comes to late to prevent their Ruin, nothing but a Miracle can do that now.

' 'Tis thought the Pretender will be here very soon, without wanting the Formality of a Change in the Succession Act. The *French Ambassador's* stay is an Uneasiness to many, and the Reason he gives for it more so, viz. That he waits to see what Humour the Nation, and their Representatives will be in at meeting, which one need not conjure to know, I think.

My

* This Phoenix is a Revival of scarce and valuable Pieces to be found only in the Closets of the Curious, and was first projected, (as is reported) by Mr. John Dunton, a Member of the Athenian Society, and first Author and Projector of The Athenian Oracle. 'Tis said The Third Volume of the Phoenix (containing Sixty Rarities) is now in the Press, and that The First and Second Volumes, already publish'd, are sold by J. Darby in Bartholomew-Close.

‘ *My Lord Duke* — You may make what use you will
 ‘ of these *Discoveries*, to which I will add this, That a
 ‘ *Gentleman that saw a Commission for raising Recruits*
 ‘ *for the French Army in Ireland, told it to a Gentleman,*
 ‘ *my Friend* ; how many such Commissions are given, he
 ‘ knows not ; he actually saw One. And can we sup-
 ‘ pose any of this is done without the Consent of the
 ‘ *Reigning Favourites*, or that these *Irish Troops* pre-
 ‘ tendedly rais’d for the *Mareschal Villars’s Army*, are
 ‘ not design’d for to be headed by the Duke of *Berwick*,
 ‘ and to bring in the *Pretender* ?

‘ You see, my Lord, all the Powers in *Europe* are
 ‘ arming, GOD unite them in this Day of Distress, and
 ‘ there’s the greater Hopes that the *Protestant Religion*
 ‘ will still flourish, as we now find that *Tool of the Ja-*
 ‘ *cobite Party Dr. Sacheverel* (after he has divided the
 ‘ Nation by his *False Brethren*, and calling the *Pre-*
 ‘ *tender King*) is now as generally slighted and despis’d
 ‘ as he was formerly carels’d and admired, of which I
 ‘ cou’d send to your *Grace* many late Instances, but shall
 ‘ only mention the Affronts he receiv’d in *St. James’s*
 ‘ Church, where, tho’ *Dr. M---* invited him into the
 ‘ Pulpit, not a Mortal spoke to him, went into the
 ‘ Vestry with him, or was commonly Civil to him
 ‘ except a poor Joyner call *Protestant John*, remarkable
 ‘ before for his Simplicity.----You may guess, my Lord,
 ‘ what his Sermon was, his Text was, *Pray for the*
 ‘ *Peace of Ferusalem* ; and rather than pray for the
 ‘ *Queen or House of Hanover*, he chose to pray for no-
 ‘ body, only made use of that short Collect in the Com-
 ‘ munion Service, *Prevent us*, &c. A promising Be-
 ‘ ginning you’ll say, and this was follow’d by a suitable
 ‘ Discourse, *Faction, Rebellion, Glorious Martyr*, and
 ‘ the rest of the old Topicks for Railing ; He was sadly
 ‘ baulk’d with his Reception amongst us, and says we are
 ‘ a *damn’d Whiggish Parish*. *Dr. M---* has lost himself
 ‘ extreemly, by setting us up such a *scandalous Tool*, and
 ‘ so many of that Stamp : He hop’d to retrieve that
 ‘ false Step, by making us the *Sunday* following, a
 ‘ Thundering Sermon against Popery, &c. But our Peo-
 ‘ ple can see the *Wolf in Sheeps Cloathing*.

My

My Lord Duke --- I have made many other Discoveries concerning the *Jacobitism* and *Politicks* of the English Court, but more especially concerning --- The Religion and Ministry of Mrs. Abigail---That duelling Lord that encourag'd the Pretender to invade Scotland in 1708. --- The S---te and W---ching Intreagues of the Duke D'Aumont, during his stay in London---The Miss hunting and notable Conduct of our peaceful G--- during his whole Campaign in F..... The secret Instructions that O..... and B..... sent to Utrecht, concerning the Separate Peace with France.

All which Discoveries fairly prove the Growth of *Perkennism* in Great Britain, but more especially at the English C.....rt; but fearing the *Jacobite* Secrets I have here sent to your Grace won't reach your Hands time enough to obtain a Place in your Supplement, I shall reserve these further Discoveries to be inserted in that Continuation and Vision, with which (as I'm told by the Earl of S.....) your Grace intends to compleat Mr. W....'s *Short History of the Parliament*; to which the Protestant Peers of Great Britain desire your Grace wou'd add The Counter-Scheme, or a true Copy of the New Association agreed to by several Lords, and other Persons of Distinction, for securing the Protestant Succession in the Illustrious House of Hanover, against the New Scheme (concerted by the English and Scotch Jacobites) for bringing in the Pretender, Popery, and Slavery.---My Lord Duke, I cou'd enlarge upon these Discoveries; but I have neither Time nor Paper left, save only to tell your Grace that I am

Your Grace's

Most Obedient,

and very Humble Servant

H-----

My Lord O..... This surprizing Letter (that was sent to me by the Lord H.....) contains nothing but secret Matter of Fact, as I shall prove in that Essay I entitle the Growth of *Perkennism* in Great Britain, where I
H shall

shall make *Bolder Discoveries* than I have here done ; for here I have only *ventur'd your Lordship's Neck to save a Frenchified Nation from approaching Ruin ; but there I shall venture my own Life for the same Reason ;* for tho' you have had a *Billingsgate Rascal* * to stain my Honour in *Porter's Language* ; yet *Know*, I'm above your Lordships Revenge in the Discharge of my Duty, and am so little afraid of Death, that I have often met it in all Shapes ; and will always be ready to do so in defence of my *Queen and Country, against the Pretender and all his Adherents*. I know thus exposing the *Jacobite Cause* will be call'd *Madness* ; for the *Sachevere-Faction* is arriv'd to that height in Impudence, that whoever writes against *High-Church* (or is more Serious, Couragious, or Thoughtful than the rest of the World) is presently call'd a Madman ; Mr. *Bisset* was Mad, for proving *Sacheverel* a *Leud Priest*, and *Modern Fanatick*. Mr. *Clark* was Mad, for proving † “ *The Separate Peace was breaking of Covenants with the Confederates, and no better than National Perjury*. Mr. *Dunton* was Mad, for proving ‡ *Sacheverel* publish'd as many Falsehoods as Lines in his *Sermon before the Commons* ; and every Man else is Mad (with these *High-Church Lunaticks*) that won't so far renounce his Religion as to turn *Jacobite* ; but, my Lord, let us Protestants, in God's Name, still be reckon'd *Fools, Madmen, Republicans* (Words our Enemies have found by which to express our Innocence, Courage and Loyalty) rather than by imitating of them, to be in Reality *Dunces, Furies, Traytors*.

Then let *Designing Knaves* Mis-represent Honest Men as they please, I will ever assert, That *Tory* is so far from being in his Right Sense, that he is fitter for *Bedlam* than the Society of Men in their Wits, that will flatter Great Men in their *Treason and Whoredom*, and when he ought will not speak the Truth, tho' to save his Neck, or prevent the Rain of his Native Country. For my own Share, I wou'd always be thought a Madman, whilst I
either

* *The Examiner*.

† See Mr. *Clark's* *seasonable Discourse* entituled, *A Word to the Wise or a Hint on the Times*.

‡ In his *Court-Spy*.

either mince the Truth, or am afraid to speak it: For, as D'Eoe observes * "*The Author of Truth has made it eternal, like himself; and as no Man ought to be afraid of speaking Truth, so no wise Man will ever be ashamed of speaking Truth, however unpopular, and disobliging it may be, or to the Damage of what Party of Men soever.*"

If these *Bold Discoveries* make your Lordship curious to know the real Author of this *Supplement*, my Answer is 'tis written by JOHN DUKE OF *A Man whose Heart is intirely English, and for that Reason (like ROBIN and HARRY) will neither sell his Religion or Country for LUIDORES; or were this SUPPLEMENT all a Fiction (as some will suspect by the Stile, being so different from my common Way of Speaking, and Writing) yet, I believe, all Men will own, that The Third Declaration, which was written by the Reverend Mr. Samuel Johnson, and publish'd in the Name of the Prince of Orange, was of no less Service to the City of LONDON, than if King William (of ever Glorious Memory) had really wrote it with his own Hands: So that this SUPPLEMENT (whether writ by A DUKE OR A PEASANT) is either a Fiction, or a True Narrative; if it be a FICTION neither O..... nor B..... will be displeas'd at it; for as a Right Tory thinks it a Satyr upon him for a Whigg to give him a good Character, so perfect Fiction, if it wound no body, it can make no body cry out: But if this SUPPLEMENT be a True Narrative, and no Fiction, the GAL'D FAVOURITES will certainly wince, and then, perhaps we may hear of a Proclamation, promising Ten Thousand Pounds Reward to him that will bring JOHN DUKE OF alive or dead, to the S..... Office at W..... H..... where the Loyal Author of these Sheets, (be it FROME or M.....) will assert the same Things to your Lordship's Face as he here publishes to all the World; and therefore in a firm Belief that the Learned O..... and witty B..... will have more*
Honour

* In his Book entituled *Some Thoughts upon the Subject of Commerce with France.*

known and Sense than to PROCLAIM their
Treason and Whoredom to all Her Majesty's Subjects,
I shall for the present subscribe my self,

Your Lordship's

Best Friend,

and most Affectionate

Humble Servant,

JOHN DUKE OF

F I N I S



